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SEVERAL BIG FIRES

Christmas Day Also Fraught with Numerous Fatal Casualties.

MILLION DOLLAR BLAZE IN NEW YORK

Many Narrow Escapes and a Hundred People Rendered Homeless—Church Destroyed at Wilkesbarre—Firemen Injured at Trenton.

New York, Dec. 26. — The early Christmas morning fire on East Thirty-third street destroyed property valued at nearly a million dollars and rendered 100 people homeless. Four buildings, including Schomer's piano warehouse and the New York Polyclinic hospital, were destroyed. The destroyed buildings also include a large five-story brick factory building. The piano warehouse occupied a fourth of the block and the Polyclinic was a four-story building with a front of fifty feet on East Thirty-third street. The fire started on the second floor of Pinare's snuff factory at 211 East Thirty-fourth street. When the first engines arrived on the scene the fire had already communicated with the piano factory adjoining on the east. The police aroused the sleeping tenants of the building on the west of the burning factory. There was a panic when the tenants found smoke pouring in their rooms, and in the excitement and demoralization which followed the cry of "Fire!" several of the tenants escaped narrowly with their lives. With the aid of the police eighteen families, consisting of seventy-five people, were dragged and carried from the building. Sturdy police with small children in their arms were cheered by the large crowd as they brought them down stairs and out on the street. The conflagration gained such enormous proportions that the hospital in the rear of the warehouse, and fronting on Thirty-fourth street, was in imminent danger. There were fifty-eight patients in the building, and when they were aroused there was another panic. Patients whose condition had been very serious leaped from their beds and ran towards the stairs. The flames communicated with the roof of the hospital at 8:30, and in several minutes the upper floor was belching forth huge waves of smoke and fire. The huge flagstaff on the hospital fell at 9:15 and struck the elevated structure. It then fell to the sidewalk, narrowly missing a fireman. The fire in the factory, warehouse and tenement were under control at 10 o'clock, but only after everything in them had been destroyed. Nothing remained of the three buildings except parts of the outer walls and a blazing mass of lumber and woodwork in the interiors.

HOME-MADE CANNON EXPLODES

Fearful Result of an Accident at Atlanta, Ga., Yesterday.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec 26.—In Ashworth young men improvised a cannon by stopping up one end of a three-inch cast-iron water-pipe yesterday. They were tamping a charge of powder with a crow bar when a terrific explosion occurred. The head of Alonzo Hansworth, colored, was blown off, the legs of Lowrey Boger and John Russell, also colored, were blown off and the eyes of Charlie Stegall, a prominent young white man, were blown out. There were also many minor injuries.

Frozen To Death on Christmas Day.

Baltimore, Dec. 26.—Harry Ruff, 19 years old, celebrated Christmas eve with a party of friends, and in the course of the night drank too much. He separated from his youthful companions at a late hour and started for his home, Merriman's lane, near the Falls road, a quarter of a mile from the city limits. His dead body was found during the morning lying in the roadway. He either fell or lay down in the road and was frozen to death.

Two Firemen Injured.

Trenton, Dec. 26—The burning of a Christmas tree last night at the home of William Lever, on Lamberton street, caused an alarm of fire. Truck No. 2, in hastening to the scene, was overturned, and tillerman Albert Snyder and truckman August Monde were badly injured. The former was taken to St. Francis' hospital, and it is feared he will die. He leaves a wife and four little children.

Burned to Death.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 26.—Miss Eva Jones, 27 years of age, of 20 Essex avenue, this city, died yesterday in St. Michael's hospital from injuries received at her home Thursday night. She went too near the stove and her dress caught fire. Before the flames were extinguished she received frightful injuries. Raymond Shoverling ran into the house and tried to put out the flames, and in attempting to do so had his hands badly burned.

Shot and Instantly Killed.

Baltimore, Dec. 26.—Conrad Sommers, aged 41, a saloonkeeper at Gough and Third streets, Highlandtown, a suburb of this city, was shot and instantly killed [illegible] whereupon the latter drew a revolver and sent a bullet through his heart. White is in jail. Both men have large families.

Livery Stable Burned at Willimantic.

Willimantic, Conn., Dec. 26.—The livery stable of Mulligan Bros., a two-story frame affair on Jackson street, was destroyed by fire last evening. Loss, about $1,200.

Burned To Death in Jail.

Louisville, Dec. 26.—At Farmers, Ky., Christmas eve Rod Podgett, a drunken prisoner, set fire to the city prison and was burned to death.

TROLLEY CAR ACCIDENT.

Motorman Killed and Four Passengers Injured Near Allentown, Pa.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 26.—A trolley car coming to this city from Bethlehem yesterday afternoon was struck by a Jersey Central passenger train on a grade crossing in East Allentown. The trolley car conductor had ran ahead and signalled to the motorman to proceed. He changed the signal upon seeing an approaching train, but it was too late. Motorman Lawrence J Ware stopped the car with the front platform on the track. The train was running at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour and when the locomotive struck the car it broke the platform off, carrying it 150 feet. The motorman was dragged almost as far and killed almost instantly. The car was broken to splinters. Conductor George Gresser had his face slightly bruised and four passengers from Bethlehem were injured. John Brink, face cut Mrs. John Brink, back bruised: Ed Werg, thigh and spine hurt, and P. Gehman forehead and cheek cut and legs bruised. None of their injuries, however, are serious Motorman Ware was 49 years old and leaves a widow and eight children.

Three Homicides at Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 26.—Three homicides are the result of Christmas day in Savannah. One negro boy shot another through the heart, killing him instantly: William Titcomb, a white man, was stabbed in a quarrel and died in a few hours, and Levi Rutledge, colored, was shot and killed by a policeman last night.

Killed by a Train.

Albany, Dec. 26.—James Corbett, aged 22, was killed while crossing the New York Central tracks at Van Woert street in this city on his way to attend Christmas services at St. Joseph's church. Corbett had attended and received holy communion at an earlier service. He was unmarried.

Oystermen Frozen To Death.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 26.—Lewis H. James and John Branzell, oystermen, were found frozen to death near here yesterday. Their boat capsized, throwing them into the icy water. They swam ashore and attempted to walk in scanty clothing and without shoes to a physician's house, but succumbed.

$300,000 Blaze in Wilkesbarre.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec 26.—Fire yesterday destroyed St Stephen's Episcopal church, one of the largest edifices in this city. The West Moreland club, adjoining, was gutted The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is $300,000.

Death of John D. Townsend.

New York, Dec 26.—John D Townsend, a prominent lawyer, died suddenly, last night, at a dinner party at 345 West Thirty-fourth street. His death resulted from kidney trouble.

Another Wilkesbarre Church Burned.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec 26.—The Polish Synagogue on Wells street was gutted by fire last night The loss is estimated at $10,000; partially insured.

Wife Murderer Pardoned.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 26—Hugh O'Neil, the Marion county wife murderer, who is serving a twenty-five year sentence in the penitentiary, has received his liberty as a Christmas present. It is the practice of the governors of the state to grant one pardon each Christmas, and this year O'Neil is the lucky one. There is one condition attached to his pardon, and that is if O'Neil again indulges in the liquor habit, which got him into trouble in the first place, he will be sent back to prison to serve out his unexpired term.

Football at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Despite the bitter cold and high wind, Washington enjoyed its annual football game yesterday between the elevens of Columbia university and All-Washington, the latter comprising the players of the Columbia Athletic team. The latter also included Joe De Silver of the University of Pennsylvania, while Sam Senior and Don Fugitt of the Lehigh team played with their old associates on the university eleven. The latter were the winners—12 to 0—making a touch-down and goal in each half.

Indiana's Fee and Salary Law Valid.

Indianapolis, Dec. 26 —Ninety-one county auditors, an equal number of county treasurers, and the boards of commissioners in the same counties are affected by the decision of the supreme court that the fee and salary law of 1895 is valid. It puty every officer in the state on a salary.

WAR ON STRIKERS

Boston Railway Officials Making Wholesale Discharges.

BREAKING IN MANY NEW MEN

The Former Employes Greatly Discouraged Over the Action of the Company When They Applied for Reinstatement.

Boston, Dec. 26.—There is much dissatisfaction openly expressed among the old employes of the West End Street Railway company at the outcome of the strike, especially over the order issued by the company to the effect that the strikers who desired to return to work must run their chances of being again employed upon personal application, and must take their places in turn and below whatever new men had been put on in the strikers places. Mutterings against the alleged injustice of this order have been loudest on the Charlestown and Cambridge divisions, it being stated that in the former fully one-third of the old employes, who applied for reinstatement were rejected by the division superintendent. Many of these men were prominently identified with the strike as leaders and had been in the service of the company for years. It is claimed that the starters and inspectors who ran cars were told that if they were insulted by any striker to report the matter to the superintendent and when that person applied for employment when the strike was over he would be told that he was not wanted in the employ of the company. So far as known but one man has been discharged for this reason. The old employes are aware of the fact that the company is hiring a number of new men, who are being broken in, in some instances a new man being seen on both ends of the same car. All the new men have been provided with new caps and numbers, and the strikers regard this as an indication that all the men who struck and have been rehired will be discharged one by one until all their places are filled, within a short period by these new men. The men on the Charlestown division are anxious to precipitate another strike, unless the discharged men are taken back before the new men have been broken in. They declare that the pitmen and firemen in the power station are ready to join them whenever they are asked and believe that if a strike should be again ordered it would be far more successful than the one just declared off. Over in Cambridge the men are chafing a good deal under the collar, and are very outspoken against what they term the treachery of one chief officer of their district union. They claim that he was really responsible for the break in the ranks of the strikers. It cannot be learned just how the company stands in regard to the number of men it has to run its cars. Judging from late reports a large number of new faces will be seen upon the electries within a few days, for the company is said to be making wholesale discharges of old employes this morning, some 300 or 400 being already reported.

MAY LEAD TO BLOODSHED.

Colorado Cattlemen and Sheepmen Quarrel over Ranges.

Denver, Dec. 26 —Advices from Routt county indicate that war between the cattlemen and the sheepmen may break out any day. For the past few days cattlemen, ranchmen and others interested in maintaing the ranges of Routt county for the benefit of cattle have been congregating in the northwestern part of the county at a point on lower Snake river. The men came in by twos and threes and in companies numbering as many as thirty-five. Every man is well armed and thoroughly mounted. Mess wagons accompanied many of the larger outfits, and every preparation appears to have been made for a lengthy campaign. There are fully 250 men in two camps on Snake river. Military rule has been established, and the men are divided into companies, each company having a captain, with a commander-in-chief in charge of the entire force. No one is allowed to come or go without being satisfactorily accounted for. This precaution is due to a report to the effect that Griff and Edwards, the principal sheep owners, have secured the services of a large force of men to meet the stockmen

Accused of Heavy Forgery.

Baltimore, Dec. 26.—George O. Demuth, a prominent piano dealer of this city, is under arrest, charged with heavy forgery. The warrant of arrest charges him with forging the name of Herman T. Gernhardt to notes amounting to $10,000, but it is said that the total amount involved will reach more than $20,000. In addition to the Gernhardt forgeries, Henry Spamar and his son, George O. H. Spamar, claim that they have been fleeced out of $11,700, up to last accounts.

Uruguay Gives Liberty to the Press.

London, Dec. 26.—A dispatch from Montevideo to the Times says that a decree has been issued restoring the liberty of the press in Uruguay.

VOLUME OF BUSINESS

Several Causes Combine To Check Expansion.

RETAIL HOLIDAY TRADE ACTIVE

Northwestern Bank Failures Shake Confidence in Banking and Commercial Circles—Prices Are Higher for Hides, Wheat, Corn and Oats.

New York, Dec. 26.—Bradstreet's weekly review of the state of trade for the week just ending will say: The arrival of the holidays, the close the year and the period of annual stock taking have further checked the volume of wholesale business. Only filling-in orders are being received and trade is slow. Retail demand for holiday goods has been active, but it is for cheaper grades than in previous years. In other lines the distribution of merchandise has been smaller at a number of distributing centers. Failures of important banking institutions at northwestern cities tend to unsettle confidence in commercial and banking circles. Few salesmen remain on the road, but most of them are preparing to go out within a fortnight. The shake-up in the iron and steel prices is nearly complete, and quotations for Bessemer pig iron and for steel billets have gotten down to the level of those for other staples. The break last week precipitated speculation in Bessemer pig iron and billets, and large purchases for an advance and for consumption have been made—more than 300,000 tons of billets—some of it as low as $15, a drop of $5 a ton. The billet pool has been patched up, nominally. Bessemer pig, which went off to $16.50 on the break and on the prospect of a readjustment of costs, is firmer, and has sold at $11. Anxiety is felt in the iron and steel trade as to the uncertainty of the price of lake ore under the new combination to control that staple. A Pittsburg concern is shipping 2,000 tons of sheet bars to the United Kingdom, and southern pig iron furnaces report further sales in England. Sheet and tinplate bars have sold down to $16.50. Rails are firm at $25, but that does not show the shrinkage suffered by billets. Freer receipts of cotton tend to encourage high crop views and account for the reaction in price. Lard and petroleum are also lower. Unchanged quotations are reported for wheat flour, sugar, pork and coffee, as well as for print cloths, although heavy stocks of the latter are having a depressing effect on the market, and are likely to cause a restriction of output in the near future. Prices for hides are higher, as are those for wheat, corn and oats.

New York Stock Market.

A recovery of the New York speculative stock market from the depression caused by the Cuban resolutions at Washington was natural, in view of the subsequent developments in that connection. The slight effect on prices of the western bank failures and the somewhat stronger tone that has since appeared seem due to the ease of money and the failure of the events in question to produce anything beyond local liquidation in Chicago. The New York market at the end of the week is firm, with an inactive holiday spirit manifest. Foreign exchange is steady. Manufacturers of wool have not opened heavyweight samples yet, and are not inclined to buy raw materials except to complete orders in hand Some Massachusetts mills have booked fair spring orders, but the industry in Rhode Island does not appear to be so well situated, and two large mills expect to shut down soon. There are 327 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, 32 less than last week and 11 more than the corresponding week a year ago

Micado's Views on Japan.

Yokohama, Dec 26.—The speech from the throne at the opening of parliament declares that Japan's relations with foreign states are increasing in cordiality, and announces that the work of revising treaties is nearly completed. The speech says that the national defenses require perfecting in proportion with the financial resources of the empire, and concludes with recommendations that the questions of education, the Formosan situation and the general welfare of the Japanese people should receive the attention of parliament.

Sudden Death of a Hotel Proprietor.

New York, Dec. 26 —John Chatfield, proprietor of the Hotel Jefferson, died suddenly of appoplexy yesterday. A few hours before he was apparently as well as usual. Mr. Chatfield had been connected as proprietor and manager in many hotels, notably Fenwick hall, at Saybrook, Conn.; the Manhansett House, Shelburne island; the Brighton Beach hotel, and the Pequot house at New London. He leaves a wife and son.

Ex-Queen Lil at Boston.

Boston, Dec. 26.—Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii arrived in this city about 10 o'clock last evening, and was at once driven to the Parker house, which will be her headquarters during her stay in this city.

SUNK OFF CAPE COD.

Schooner Carrie Walter Run Down by the Steamer Scandinavian.

Boston, Dec. 26.—The overdue Allan line steamer Scandinavian, from Glasgow, arrived last night, six days late, owing to bad weather, poor coal and green firemen. On Christmas eve she collided off Cape Cod with the lumber-laden schooner Carrie Walter, which vessel became a total wreck as the result of the collision, her crew of six men being brought here on the steamer. The accident was due to the steamship captain mistaking the schooner for the pilot boat on the Cape Cod station, as she burned flare-up lights used aboard the pilot fleet as a signal. Chief Mate Aitken answered what he thought to be a pilot boat's signal by burning a blue light to notify those on board that the steamer wanted a pilot. The wind was blowing from the northeast, which being a fair wind for sailing craft, the latter commenced to draw nearer the steamer and the steamer kept her course at a moderate rate of speed, naturally thinking that the supposed pilot boat would come about and launch a canoe, instead of which the schooner crashed into the steamer with terrific force, striking her on the starboard bow and doing considerable damage. An examination showed that the steamer was all right and a life boat was sent to the assistance of the schooner, but before it had gone far the schooner's yawl boat was seen approaching and both boats returned to the steamer on which the crew of six men were brought to this city. The Scandinavian has two holes in her starboard bow, one about two feet square just above the load line, while the other is on the bluff of the bow where a large piece of the schooner's jib-boom and a portion of her jib had lodged. When the collision occured the schooner's bows opened and filled with water and she must have capsized, as she was nowhere to be seen shortly afterwards.

Christmas Day in New York.

New York, Dec. 26.—Christmas was celebrated here in merry fashion. The weather was ideal for the great mid-winter holiday, and it was just the sort the old folks describe as "good, old-fashioned Christmas weather." On every hand there were evidences of the Christmas spirit, and in charitable and public institutions in all parts of the city the day was fittingly observed and religious services of exceptional order were held in most of the churches. In St. Patrick's cathedral a pontifical mass was celebrated. In most of the other churches of the city special services were held during the day. In Brooklyn the day was celebrated in much the same fashion as here.

Washington's Christmas Holiday.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Christmas day was clear, dry and cold. The day was celebrated in the usual manner, all government business being entirely suspended and a majority of the business concerns and stores closed. There were services in all the churches. President and Mrs. Cleveland had a Christmas tree for the children and spent the day at home, receiving no guests. Most of the members of the cabinet had family reunions at their homes. To-day is almost as quiet as yesterday, many of the firms doing no business.

Maj. McKinley Spends a Quiet Christmas.

Canton, O., Dec. 26.—Major McKinley's Christmas was a very quiet one He took advantage of the continued good sleighing weather to enjoy two sleigh rides. Mrs. McKinley accompanied him during one ride, and a party of the Major's nieces were with him on the other. The Major and Mrs. McKinley dined with Mother McKinley, and during the afternoon he read the papers and chatted with personal friends who called. There were no callers of political importance, and none is expected to-day.

Death of Mrs. Ellen Terry Johnson.

Hartford, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Ellen Terry Johnson, the wife of Prof. Charles F. Johnson of Trinity college, died suddenly of heart disease last evening. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Chas Terry of Cleveland, and was descended from Gen. Nathaniel Terry and Gen. Jeremiah Wadsworth of Revolutionary fame. She was a cousin of the late Maj.-Gen. Alfred Terry, U. S. A. Her sister is the wife of Col. Henry W. Closson, U. S. A., retired, of Washington

Germans Expect Reprisals.

London, Dec. 26.—The Standard's Berlin correspondent remarks upon the apprehension of German merchants that the irritation in America at Germany's prohibition of American meats, etc., will result in further reprisals, for example the compulsory examination of all German wines and the placing of serious obstacles in the way of the import of German sugar.

Peter Maher Ambitious.

New York, Dec. 26 —Peter Maher, who yesterday knocked out Steve O'Donnell in one round at the Greater New York Athletic club at Coney Island, has challenged Tom Sharkey, and also says that he will challenge the winner of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

REFORMS FOR CUBA

Senor Castillo Again Announces His Determination To Act.

MUCH BETTER FEELING IN SPAIN

The People Generally Growing Less Refractory to the Idea of Some Understanding with the United States.

Madrid, Dec. 26.—Senor Canovas del Castillo, the prime minister, has again affirmed in the presence of his cabinet that he is determined to introduce reforms in Cuba, dating their application from the conclusion of the negotiations carried on with other powers, which are already tending in a direction favorable to Spain. It is understood that Senor Canovas referred to the attitude of France, Germany, Austria and Great Britain, the governments of which countries, it is stated here, are of the opinion that the United States cannot overstep President Cleveland's message to congress. All rumors of the acceptance of the United States' mediation (in Cuba) are premature yet, but it is undeniable that the Spanish people are growing less refractory to the idea of some understanding with the United States, if only the idea of Cuban independence is dropped and Spain is allowed to execute her own ideas of colonial reform. All rumors pointing to unofficial action by the European powers are unfounded, except that the powers generally have advised Spain to grant to her colonies autonomy, and to make her own terms with the United States if she can so hasten the pacification of Cuba.

Newspaper Story Denied.

The story printed in a London newspaper purporting to give the outline of a plan of campaign against the Cuban insurgents is officially denied here. It was stated that a Spanish advance into the province of Pinar del Rio would be followed, according to the programme decided upon, by a vigorous combined movement of ten columns of government troops, comprising 30,000 men, with a view to compelling the insurgents to either surrender and lay down their arms or to cross the trocha into the Havana province. When this plan shall have been carried out in Pinar del Rio similar tactics will be pursued in the Havana and Matanzas provinces. If these plans are successfully carried out before March next the government will inaugurate reforms in Porto Rico, which will be followed slowly by reforms in Cuba, and the cortes will be convoked to sanction extensive concessions in the administration of the affairs on the island.

DIFFERING ACCOUNTS.

Discrepancies in Government and Cuban Reports of a Battle.

Havana, Dec. 26.—An official announcement is made that the Spanish troops under Col. Rabanal have had an engagement with several rebel parties under Rojas. The scene of the fighting was near Cimarrones, province of Puerto Principe. A rebel camp was captured, and the insurgents were completely dispersed with the loss of thirty-six killed. The Spanish loss was one killed and eight wounded. Advices from a reliable Cuban source show that the so-called engagement was simply a massacre of unarmed non-combatants by the troops While a train was passing along the railway between Caibarien and Camajuani, province of Santa Clara, a dynamite bomb exploded, wrecking the armored car containing the train's military escort. Two soldiers were killed and two wounded.

Delgado Not To Be Shot.

Washington, Dec. 26 —Enrique Delgado has not been shot by the Spanish authorities in Cuba, and he will be treated with all the leniency that the conditions under which he was arrested warrant. This news is the first result of the inquiry the state department has made into Delgado's case. Although it is probable that he must remain in jail for some time, while his case is being investigated, it is not believed here that he will be severely punished.

United States Warned.

London, Dec. 26.—The Times to-day publishes a dispatch from Paris saying that the United States has been confidentially informed in the most friendly terms that the European powers could not remain impassive in the event of the United States abandoning the attitude of President Cleveland and his cabinet towards Cuba.

Death of Chester R. Faulkner.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Chester R. Faulkner, for some years a prominent politician of Indiana and of recent years private secretary of Senator Voorhees, died at Providence hospital late yesterday afternoon of injuries received Thursday night by being run over by a street car. He fell under the car, which ran over and crushed his right leg above the knee. Amputation was resorted to, but the victim slowly sank under the shock of the operation.

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A FAIR REBEL.

Nearly 30 years ago, when I was an undergraduate of Trinity college, Dublin, I resided in lodgings at Kingstown. A few doors off was a circulating library, kept by a man then unknown to fame, but since notorious as "Number One," of the "Invincible" conspiracy. T—— was a handsome, agreeable man, fond of an argument, and as all my sympathies were with the Englishry, we had many a debate on politics. T—— never lost his temper, which is more than can be said for many who do not kill chief secretaries or blow up kings.

One week in 18— Dublin was all astir. The heir to the crown of England, with his beautiful princess, was at the vice regal lodge, and a great function was to be performed in St. Patrick's cathedral, in connection with the prince's entry into an Irish order of chivalry. T—— was very indignant at such "adulation of a foreign despot," and two days before the ceremony we grew quite hot—at least I did—discussing the matter.

"At any rate," I said, "all the Irish girls are wild about the prince. You'll find he has not an enemy among them."

"If you will come and take a hand at cards this evening upstairs," said the Irish Guy Fawkes, "I will show you a beautiful girl who hates the tyrant as bitterly as I do. And listen, there is a drop of potheen in the house that never paid Victoria a penny. You are not too loyal to drink it, I hope?"

Loyalty is a good thing, but genuine Irish whisky (which, as is well known, is utterly spoiled by paying duty) is a better. Besides the fair rebel was an attraction to a youth of nineteen, so I accepted. I had spent several evenings with T——, and I am bound to say that—barring his weakness for killing "tyrants"—he was as agreeable and courteous a host as ever mixed punch or shuffled cards.

On this occasion, besides T——'s wife, I was presented to Miss Ellen Maguire, a handsome, black-eyed, red-cheeked girl, about two-and-twenty, picturesquely attired in a white evening dress, with green ribbons and a shamrock brooch. She spoke with a slight American accent running through her native brogue, and avowed herself a Fenian, anarchist, communist, etc., with the most charming effrontery. Before the evening ended I was quite fascinated; and had she offered to administer the Fenian oath, could hardly have refused. We were left together for a short time by our entertainers, when Miss Maguire said:

"I am crossing by the mail boat in the morning, and there is a commission which I should have done to-day in Dublin. Would you do it for me?"

"Certainly," I replied; "with pleasure."

"I ought to warn you," said this Hibernian Delilah, "that you will be breaking the law of this miserable counthree, or, rather, that of its Saxon oppressor."

I felt rather uneasy at this. Lawbreaking was not in my line, and I began to fear that the beaux yeux of this siren might lure me on the rocks. However, I assured her that I was ready "to mount the gallows for her sake." (Of course, I should not have risked my neck for all the eyes in Ireland, but one must be polite to a lady.)

"Well, 'tis just this," said the temptress. "I have a small jar of that stuff you have been drinkin'," pointing at the potheen, "which I should have left at a house in York street. Will you take it there early to-morrow?"

I gave a sigh of relief. No Irishman, however loyal, minds breaking the excise laws.

"All right," said I; "I will deliver it if you will pay me for my trouble in advance. I am not going to break the law and defraud my gracious queen for nothing."

She lifted her face to me, and pouted her red lips.

"Here is my purse," she said; "take your fee." And I took it.

When I rose to go, Miss Maguire slipped away, and met me in the passage with a small bag. T—— said "Good night," and absented himself.

"Here it is," said she; "mind don't break it, or drink it. The address is on this card:

'MR. SANDERSON,
10 York street, (second floor front).'

It would not do to address contraband goods."

"You only paid some of the price you promised," I whispered.

"You are very covetous," she replied, 'but take your full pay, and begone."

It took a long time to open the hall door, but at last I and the bag, which was terribly heavy, were in the street. I went to my lodgings to dream of black eyes and black bags.

I had a season ticket on the railway, and went in every day, usually carrying a bag of books. I felt rather guilty, and thought every policeman and porter looked suspiciously at my burthen. Its weight forced me to take a cab on my arrival, and I was soon conveyed to York street, a narrow thoroughfare leading from Stephen's Green towards St. Patrick's cathedral. Number 10 was a tenement house, whose door stood open day and night. I ascended to the second floor, and knocked at the front room door. A tall, red-headed Irish-American, who spoke with a nasal twang, opened it about six inches.

"Wall, young sir," he said, "what's yer bizness?"

"I was asked by a lady," I replied, "to deliver this to Mr. Sanderson. If you are he, that's my business."

He looked at me and the bag, then, seizing the latter, said:

"All right," and slammed the door in my face. I went off in great wrath. "After all," I thought, "I have earned those few kisses dearly."

I hurried to the college, and soon forgot Miss Maguire and her commission.

Next day business was suspended. The citizens were all in the streets watching the procession and cheering the royal visitors. I stayed out late seeing the illuminations and drinking my future sovereign's health, with other loyal and thirsty "undergrads" of Trinity. When I came out of my bedroom next morning I found the following pleasant letter awaiting me:

"Head Police Office, Lower Castle Yard. Dear Sir: It has come to the knowledge of the authorities that you recently conveyed a bag containing a dangerous and unlawful article to a house in York street. It is hoped that this was done in ignorance, but to avoid unpleasant consequences, you will do well to attend at this office at three p. m. to-morrow, and state all you know of the affair. The police have instructions to arrest you, should you attempt to escape. Yours, etc.,

"T. PHALLON, Inspector, R. I. C."

I was thunderstruck. This came of consorting with Fenians and females! I reflected that smuggling a potheen was not, after all, a hanging matter. Indeed, I was rather surprised that the detective police should notice it at all. It was the business of the excisemen or "gaugers."

"They must have little to do at the castle," I thought. "However, I had better face the music."

At the appointed time I presented myself at the Irish Scotland Yard. Phallon received me civilly enough, and conducted me to a room where a couple of magistrates and Mr. Phillipson, the crown solicitor, were seated.

"This is breaking a butterfly on a wheel in earnest," I said to myself. "What a fuss about a jar of whisky."

"Mr. ——," said the senior magistrate, "it is my duty to warn you that you need not answer the questions we are about to put to you. You might have been here as a prisoner, but we hope you are an innocent agent of this atrocious conspiracy. You can, I think, best prove your innocence by complete candor. But, remember, your statement may be used against yourself."

"Ask what you like," I replied; "I have had any share in any 'atrocious conspiracy.'"

"We hope not," said my interrogator: 'at least not a guilty one. However, you will not deny having carried a black bag which you received from a young woman at T——'s circulating library in Kingstown, to 10 York street, the day before yesterday?"

"Certainly not," I answered. "The young lady asked me to do a trifling commission for her, and I did it."

"I ask you," said the magistrate, solemnly, "did you know the contents of that bag?"

I hesitated, but I did not think it right, or perhaps wise, to tell a lie, so I said, with a smile:

"Yes, sir; I knew the contents of the bag. Very good stuff it was, too. I hope his royal highness will get some before he leaves Ireland."

"Silence, sir," cried the magistrates together, then the senior said:

"I think we may stop the examination and commit this wretched youth, who glories in his guilt, to Kilmainham. He actually smiles at a crime that might have resulted in death and destruction."

"Gentlemen," I cried, indignantly 'surely you will not send me to prison for such a trifle? I did wrong, I suppose, but I was reared in Sligo, where every man, woman and child—magistrates and ministers included—drinks potheen. To circumvent the gauger by carrying it to a friend, is considered an act of piety and charity, which no Christian man would refuse to perform. The British empire will not come to an end because half a crown duty has not been paid on a quart of good liquor. I will pay the sum three times over, and a fine as well. But you have no right to send me to a gaol—at least in this hole-and-corner manner. I demand a public examination and legal assistance."

The magistrates looked greatly relieved. "Tell us plainly what you supposed was in the bag," said the inquisitor, mildly.

"A quart of potheen, or illicit whisky," I replied. "And I say again that I wish his royal highness had some. If he once tasted it, I am sure he would never send a subject to jail for making or carrying or drinking it."

"Would you be surprised to hear that your friend's jar of potheen was a nitro-glycerine bomb, intended to have been flung into the prince's carriage by the Fenian B——, alias Sanderson?" asked the magistrate.

I nearly fainted with horror. "And who is Ellen Maguire?" I gasped.

"B——'s wife," said Detective Phallon, "as dangerous an anarchist as there is in Europe. She carries the weapons of the conspirators, and sometimes persuades young fools, who admire her black eyes, to help her."

"The serpent!" I exclaimed. "I will give evidence against her with pleasure, and will go to see her hanged. I slept with that awful thing under my pillow! It might have blown me to pieces."

"And half Kingstown as well," said the officer. "A fall or even a shake might have done it. But we have got to catch Mr. and Mrs. B—— yet. I fear they are in France by this time."

It appeared that the police, having obtained news of the plot in the usual way (through an informer), searched the room in York street shortly after I delivered the infernal machine. They found the bomb; but B——, alias Sanderson, having stepped out to a neighboring bar, saw the officers, divined their errand, and managed to escape.

Neither he nor his wife was captured. The latter, some years later, achieved an infamous notoriety as "the brave little woman" who conveyed to Dublin the knives with which the Phoenix Park murders were committed. Her friend T——, whose acquaintance I dropped after these events, became especially notorious, and I am not likely to hurriedly forget the evening I spent with "Number One."—Tit-Bits.

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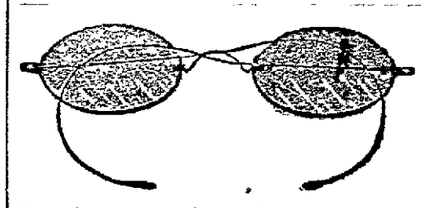

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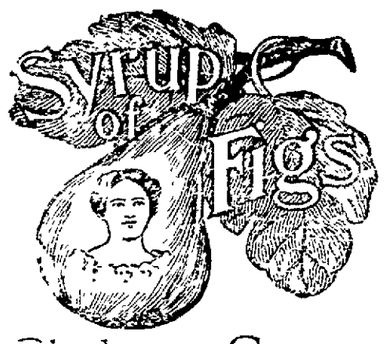

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

Notes of Sunday Services and Other Matters of Religious Interest.

—Old School Baptist Church—Elder Benton Jenkins, pastor Preaching at 3 p m. Seats free.

—Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. J. H Nichols, pastor—Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7 30 p. m.; Sunday School, 3 p. m.; Bible reading, 6:45 p. m. Christmas exercises in the evening.

—A M E Zion Church, Last avenue, Rev G M. Payne, pastor—Preaching 11 a. m and 7 15 p m; Sunday School 3 p. m., C E 7 p. m

—Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles Beattie, D. D., pastor—Preaching 11 a. m and 7 30 p m; Junior Endeavor, 3 p m., Young people's meeting, 6 30 p m Christmas services at 7 30 by Sunday School

—St Paul's M. E Church, Rev Frank L. Wilson, D D pastor—Preaching at 11 a m and 7 30 p m., Sunday School, 9 30 a m; class meeting, 9 15 a m, Junior Epworth League, 3 p m; Epworth League prayer meeting, 6 30 p. m Seats free and strangers cordially invited

—Y. M. C. A., North street—Meeting for men at 3 p m All men welcome Good orchestra in attendance

—Park Mission, 11 Mill street, Elder D. L. Conkling, pastor You will be made welcome to any or all of the services at the Mission Sunday School, 2 p m, preaching 3 and 7 30 p m

—First Presbyterian Church Rev Thomas Gordon, D D., pastor—Services 11 a m. and 7 30 p. m. Young People's service 6 30 p m Strangers cordially invited. Christmas services, with special music, morning and evening

—Mission school and service, corner East Main street and Prospect avenue, at 3 p. m Strangers cordially invited

—The First Universalist Church, Assembly Rooms 61 North street, Rev J. Newton Emery, pastor—Sunday School and pastor's Bible class, 10 a. m., public worship, 11 a. m and 7 30 p. m Christmas service at 11 a. m Subject of sermon—"The Message of Glad Tidings." Evening, Sunday School Christmas Concert All are invited

—North Street Congregational Church, Rev J W Norris, pastor—Preaching at 10 30 a. m and 7 30 p m; Junior Endeavor at 3 p m Sunday School 12 m., Y P S C E, 6 30 p m Morning subject—"Progress." Evening subject—"God With Us."

—First Congregational Church, Rev W A Robinson, D D, pastor—Sunday School, 9 30 a m preaching 11 a m and 7 30 p m; young people's service 6 30 p m Evening service at 7 30 p m Special Christmas music in the morning and sermon on "Emanuel." Christmas service in the evening by choir and Sunday school Cordial welcome to all

—Grace (Episcopal) Church, Rev D. J. Evans, B A rector—Sunday After Christmas Day Holy communion, 7 30 a m., Sunday School, 9 45 a. m morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m; evening prayer and sermon, 7 30 p m

—Free Christian Church—Sunday School, 11 a. m. Preaching in the evening by the pastor. Subject—"Tell Me the Old, Old Story." Gospel Temperance Union this evening

—First Baptist Church, Rev Frank A Heath, pastor Morning subject:—"Lessons from the Closing Year." Evening subject:—"Learning by Doing." Baptism at the close of evening sermon Seats free You are welcome.

"A BARREL SOCIAL."

Programme of the Entertainment at the North Street Church, Monday Evening.

The following is programme of the barrel social to be given at the North Street Congregational Church, Monday evening, Dec. 28th:

Overture	Eolian Club
Solo	Miss Parsells
Mandolin solo	Irving Bakewell
Recitation	Miss Arthur.
Quartet	Mrs Wilkes Miss Wilkes, Messrs Weeks and Taylor
Recitation	Miss Arthur
March Instrumental	Mr and Mrs Billings Mr Parsells.
Reading	Andrew Hutchinson
Music	Eolian Club.

Following the programme the result of the barrel opening will be announced, followed by supper. Proceeds to be applied to the church debt.

Christmas Services by the Second Presbyterian Church Sunday School.

Services of an interesting nature will be rendered by the Sunday School of the Second Presbyterian Church, to-morrow evening, at 7:30. The Christmas entertainment and supper will be given next Tuesday evening It will be free to all members of the school

Ontario and Western Earnings.

The Ontario and Western reports for November gross earnings of $337,790 as compared with $349,275 for the corresponding month last year and $316,383 in 1894 The earnings from July 1st to November 30th were $1,847,900, a handsome increase over the earnings for the same period in 1895 and 1894

MOUNT HOPE.

Drifted Roads—A Quiet Wedding—Trying to Secure a College Scholarship—A Teacher surprised.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY

—The snow drifted in places, and made the roads very difficult to travel

—Our public school closed on Thursday for the Christmas vacation.

—The wedding on Wednesday night of Miss Jennie Smith and Charles Ogden, was very quiet on account of the storm

—Miss Merle Writer, of this place, who is trying to secure the college course prize offered by the *Ladies Home Journal* for 2,100 subscriptions, is working hard, and has already a start of about 400. If the readers of this paper wish to subscribe or renew their subscription to the paper named they would be aiding a worthy girl by sending the $1 to Miss Writer

—On Monday evening about twenty-five of the pupils of Everett E Cortright surprised him at his home, bringing with them an abundant store of good things for the inner man. The evening was spent most delightfully with games, etc. After supper was served they presented Mr. Cortright with a leather-covered, indexed Oxford Bible as a token of esteem for him.

Something to Depend On.

James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from the first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

HIS HARDEST TASK.

Trainer Chas. H. Bodine Completes His Biggest Undertaking—He Tells How He Managed it.

"I have not been able to follow my occupation of training and breaking in horses for some time" says Chas. H Bodine, of No. 7 Robert street, "owing to my kidneys. For the past four or five years I have had the most terrible pains in my back, so severe I could not sleep at night, nor stoop over when I first got up in the morning. I walked about the house bent over for I was simply unable to straighten up with the aching. It extended to my shoulder blades after a time and the whole back was sore. The urine had a dark color and was full of sediment. Some time ago I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. I had tried many remedies but I got no relief until I found Doan's Kidney Pills. I never in my life saw anything to work like a charm. I have quit taking them for I no longer require them. I keep them right in the house. If they were difficult to obtain I would not dispose of them for any price and I would pay $10 for a box if I could not get them for less. When I used to catch cold it always lodged in my back and then how I did suffer, but since taking Doan's Kidney Pills I have caught cold and it did not affect my back in the least. I hope I am permanently cured for mine is an old case the result of several strains, received in training horses and from exposure and hardship when serving in the 18th Reg. Co. F. N. Y. Vol. I will be only too pleased to speak to any citizen privately about the particulars of my cure."

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QUESTION OF LUCK.

Citation That Clinched the Other Side of the Argument.

"I hate to hear people say there's no such thing as luck," remarked the melancholy Mr. Dolittle.

"I don't see why," his wife rejoined.

"Because it isn't true," he returned, with asperity. "A man can go on trying and trying, and never get along. And some other person will go ahead and tumble into good things without making any effort whatever."

"Hiram, no great man has succeeded without hard work."

"That's the kind of talk you always hear. But nine times out of ten it is all owing to the opportunity that presented itself. Fortune just seems to lie in wait to kidnap some men. Look at Sir Isaac Newton. His name is handed down from generation to generation. And why? Simply because he was sitting under a tree and an apple happened to drop on him. You can't pretend that a man is in a position to claim superior merit simply because, through no action or preference of his own, he gets hit in the head with an apple, can you?"

"No, Hiram."

"Then don't tell me about there not being any such thing as luck."

"It seems to me that you've chosen a poor example in support of your argument. The case of Isaac Newton goes to show that the difference is in the people. If it had been some men that I know of instead of Newton the first thing they would have done after the apple fell would have been to go into the house and moan for the arnica bottle; then they would have spent two or three hours of precious time talking about their bad luck." — Washington Star.

Christianizing a Chinaman.

A lady recently took into her service a Chinaman and began to Christianize him Shortly afterward some silver spoons were missing Then she taught him the apostles' creed and it was discovered that a valuable piece of plate had been stolen. His benefactress, loath to suspect her new convert, started in to teach him the ten commandments. By the time he was able to recite the first commandment the scamp stole her watch Then the philanthropic lady's son rebelled "Mother," he exclaimed, "for heaven's sake don't teach that pig-tailed scalawag any more or by the time you've got him to the tenth commandment he will have stolen the house and taken the cellar along with it!"

Things to Be Feared.

At Lucon, France, an ancient inn has for its sign "The Four Things to Be Feared" which is the legend under a painting representing a cat, a monkey, a woman, and a judge.—Chicago Inter Ocean

Owns the Corn.

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CECIL RHODES' SPEECH.

His Sarcastic Reference to the Jameson Investigation Arouses Comment.

Cape Town, Dec. 26.—At a reception given at Port Elizabeth to Cecil Rhodes, formerly prime minister of Cape Colony and manager of the British South Africa company, who is enroute to England to testify before the commission that will examine into the raid by Dr. Jameson into the Transvaal, Mr. Rhodes made a speech, certain parts of which have excited considerable comment here. He treated lengthily upon South African affairs, touching somewhat fully upon affairs in Rhodesia, whence he arrived a few days ago after taking part in the suppression of the Matabele revolt, and then said that he was going home to be examined regarding the Jameson expedition by his fellow-countrymen, whose unctuous rectitude he well knew. This sarcastic reference to the investigating commission is taken to indicate that Mr. Rhodes' testimony will be far more interesting than has been anticipated.

Clothing Store Entered by Burglars.

Greenwich, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Some time after midnight Christmas thieves entered the Union Clothing store by breaking a basement window and carried off jewelery, furs, etc., valued at over $2,000.

Shah Nasr-ed-Din Left $200,000,000.

London, Dec. 26.—A Vienna dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Vienna says that the shah of Persia, Nasr-ed-Din, who was assassinated in May last, left a fortune of $200,000,000.

Victim of the Mafia.

New York, Dec. 26.—Antonio Zanone, the barber who is dying at St. Vincent's hospital with two stab wounds in his left breast which he received Thursday night while drinking with Julius Naelone, Salvator Galine and Simeone Calagoire in a saloon on Elizabeth street, the police believe was a victim of the Mafia.

Millions in Nitro-Glycerine.

London, Dec. 26.—A Paris dispatch to the Times says that M. Nobel, the inventor of nitro-glycerine, bequeathed a fortune estimated at $10,000,000 to the Stockholm university.

Hickory-Nut Taffy.

One and a half pounds of coffee A sugar, just enough molasses to color, and one-fourth teaspoonful of cream of tartar. Cook to "crack," and pour into greased pans. When the candy has cooled somewhat throw over it one pound of chopped hickory nuts, and fold the edges of it over the nuts. Continue this folding until the nuts are well mixed into the candy. Put on a greased marble slab and roll very thin with a greased rolling-pin. Mark into squares and break up when cold. Walnut taffy may be made the same way, substituting English walnuts for hickory nuts. Brazil-nut taffy, also, omitting the molasses.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Pumpkin Pies Without Eggs.

For one pie take three heaping tablespoonfuls sifted squash or pumpkin, one heaping tablespoonful flour, one and one-half pint rich milk. Mix squash or pumpkin smooth with flour; add milk. Sweeten to taste, add a tiny pinch of salt, flavor with nutmeg. Pour into a deep pie plate lined with good pie crust and bake in a slow oven.—Philadelphia Press.

Suspicious.

"Why," she asked, "do you seem to doubt me when I tell you that I have never been engaged before?"

"Because," he replied, "you kiss and hug like one who has had experience."

After she had calmed down a little he tried to explain that he judged merely from what he had heard, but when he left that evening he knew that she was still disposed to be suspicious of him.—Cleveland Leader.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Spot quiet; prices firm. Dec., 89½c.; May, 87c.

Corn—Spot quiet; old prices prevail. Dec., 28½c; May, 31½c

Oats—Market quiet; prices firm. Dec., 24¼c.; May, 24½c

Eggs—Prices steady; fairly active. State and Pennsylvania fresh, 21@24c., ice house, 15@18c., western, fresh 20@23c; limed 15@17½; southern, 21@22c

Pork—Market quiet; fair demand Extra prime, nominal, short clear, $9.00@10.50, mess $8 25@8 75, family, $10.00@10 75

Lard—Steady; moderate demand. Prime western, $4 13

Butter—Firm, with good trade. Creamery western extras, 22c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 21@21½c.; creamery, western seconds, 18c; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 13c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made extras, 19½@20c.; western imitation creamery, seconds to firsts 11@17c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 8½@11c

Cheese—Prices steady. State, full cream, large size, fall made, colored, 10½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 3½@7c.

Potatoes—Market quiet; old prices. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.25@1 37; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, $0@1.01.12.

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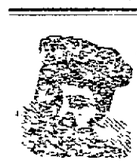

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Money left with the First National Bank of Middletown, on certificates of deposit for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) per cent. per annum

By order Board of Directors,

SEYMOUR DeWITT, Cashier.

"HE THAT WORKS EASILY, WORKS SUCCESSFULLY." CLEAN HOUSE WITH

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Diamonds, Watches, Silver Novelties

AND

OPTICAL GOODS AT LOWEST PRICES.

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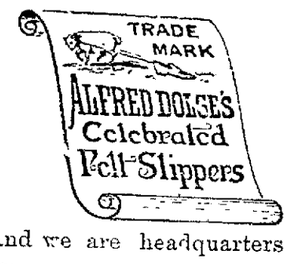

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Follow the footprints to

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Handsome Sets!

of Mirror, Comb and Brush. Must be seen to be appreciated

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Different styles and sizes prettily combined QUALITY very fine.

"Awfully Sweet!"

A ten cent bottle of Best Perfume on a decorated card

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UNUSUAL BARGAINS IN Slightly Used Pianos.

Also, closing out several old styles of

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at great reductions to make room for new stock.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 26, 1896.

California is undoubtedly the closest State politically in the Union. The official canvass shows that the Bryan elector who received the largest vote has beaten the lowest McKinley elector by 148. Twice before in recent years has the vote of the State been similarly divided. In 1880 Garfield carried the State by a small majority but Hancock secured one of the electors. In 1892 Cleveland carried the State by an average majority of 144 but one of the Harrison electors "sneaked in" by a few votes.

Fifty of Colorado's most prominent citizens, including the Governor, two ex-Governors, United States senators, judges, clergymen and leading business men, have signed a statement setting forth that woman suffrage has been in every way a good thing for the State. The endorsement is most sweeping. There are no reservations or qualifications. Woman suffragists say that never before was a measure of public policy so heartily and enthusiastically commended by so many prominent men and they regard the document as the strongest endorsement "The Cause" has ever received and expect it to carry conviction to all who doubt the wisdom of giving women the ballot.

TWO LUCKY FINDS.

Ladies Who Lost Pocket-Books Recover Them Quickly and in Unexpected Ways.

Yesterday afternoon while Capt. Gould was walking on North street near Low Avenue, a sleigh containing a man and two women passed him going at a pretty good speed. After they had passed the Captain saw a lady come out of a house some distance ahead and pick up something from the road.

He thought nothing about it until he reached Wickham avenue where he met the sleighing party. One of the ladies stated that she had lost her pocket-book and he then recalled the incident above mentioned and walked back and pointed out the house to the party.

The lady who had lost the pocket-book rang the bell, the lady who had picked up the article in the street answered it, and when the former stated her errand the lady of the house handed it over with an expression that indicated that she was glad to find the owner so quickly. The pocket-book contained about $15.

This morning a lady boarded a North street car at Franklin Square. The car had proceeded about half way to King street when she jumped up and excitedly asked the conductor to stop the car saying she had lost her pocket-book.

The car was stopped and the lady was about to alight when she discovered her pocket-book lying on the step where she had dropped it. It is needless to say that a burden was lifted from her mind.

THE BACHELORS' CHRISTMAS HOP

One of the Most Successful Affairs in the Club's History.

The Christmas hop of the Bachelors' Social Club, at the Assembly Rooms, last night, was one of the most thoroughly enjoyable affairs in the history of the club.

The attendance was very large there having been at least thirty couples present in addition to the members of the club and their ladies.

The ladies were in full dress and many of the costumes were costly and all were beautiful.

Wannamaker's orchestra furnished the music and to its inspiring strains the dancers trod the merry measures of the dance until a late hour this morning.

Among those present from out of town were most of the Middletown college boys who are home for the holidays, Miss Anna Gunnier, of Guymard, Mr. Baird Ben Polhemus, Walter Towne, Frank Ogden and Mont. Kidd, of New York, Richard Knight, of Stockport, J. Ed Bakes, of Cornwall, and Willard Jessup, of Goshen.

REMEMBERED THEIR CHAPLAIN.

Phœnix Engine Company's Handsome Present to Rev. F. A. Heath.

Rev. F. A. Heath, chaplain of Phœnix Engine Co., received an unexpected but very pleasant visit from about a dozen members of Phœnix Engine Co., Thursday evening.

The delegation was headed by President Iseman who, in behalf of the company presented Mr. Heath with a very handsome easy chair. It is birdseye maple upholstered in silk brocatelle.

Mr. Heath was not only surprised but deeply affected by the token of the good will and esteem of his company and accepted the gift in as good a speech as he could make under such circumstances.

Mrs. Heath served refreshments after the speechmaking and a pleasant social hour was spent by the chaplain and the Phœnix boys.

10 Cents Cures Constipation and Liver Ills.

Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are the most perfect made, and cure like magic. Sick Headache, Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion and all Liver Ills. 10 cents.

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

DISCREDITED IN WASHINGTON.

Little Confidence Placed in the Report of German Sympathy With Spain.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26—Officials in confidential relations with Secretary Olney and President Cleveland appear to attach no importance to the London *Times'* story from Paris that Germany has informed the United States that she was prepared to side with Spain. American news via Paris is regarded about as reliable as Cuban news via Madrid.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mary Dempsey.

Mrs. Mary Dempsey, widow of the late James Dempsey, died at five o'clock, this morning, of general debility, aged 62 years.

She is survived by three children, John and Catharine, at home, and Mrs. Matthew Reardon, of Fair Oaks.

The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

Mrs. Catherine Collins.

Mrs. Catherine Collins, wife of John Collins, died at her home, 124 Academy avenue, at 9 o'clock, this morning. The cause of death was complications following an attack of the grip and her last illness was of long duration.

Mrs. Collins is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. Mary Becker, of New York; Josephine at home, and Mrs. Catherine Smith, of Kingston.

Funeral notice elsewhere.

Jesse Ayers.

Jesse Ayers, an old and well known resident of this city, died at his home, 28 Linden avenue, at six o'clock Christmas morning, in his 66th year.

He was stricken with paralysis three years ago and suffered two strokes since, the last one a week ago, since which he has been confined to his bed. He has been unconscious since Wednesday.

The deceased was born near Denton and was a son of John and Keturah Boyd Ayres. He learned the blacksmith trade of Moses H. VanKeuren, deceased, and for more than twenty years worked in the Erie's shop here. When the shops were removed he went to Cornwall and was employed there for five years.

He was married about thirty-five years ago to Adaline Gordon, a resident of Fall Brook, near Cuddebackville. She survives with two daughters, Nettie, wife of O. D. Vanluwegen, of this city, and Anna Belle, who has charge of the central office of the Hudson River Telephone Co., in this city. A son, George, died at the age of five years.

The only surviving brother is Samuel Ayres, of North street, this city. Two sisters are living, Ann, wife of John Kirby, of Slate Hill, and Sarah, wife of Enos Smith, of Scotchtown.

Mr. Ayres was identified with Hoffman Lodge, No. 412, F. and A. M., for more than twenty-five years, and was one of the life members.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church for many years.

The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

AN ERIE TRAINMAN KILLED.

Fell Between the Cars Near Chester and Cut in Two.

W. R. Vanvor Kerdaugh, a brakeman on an extra to Erie freight train 88, while setting a brake on a box car between Chester and Greycourt, this morning, slipped and fell between the cars and across the rail, and the wheels passing over him cut his body in two.

The remains were taken to Chester and Coroner Decker was summoned, who, impanelling a jury, placed the body in charge of Undertaker Waldron.

By order of Supt. Maguire, the body after being prepared for burial, will be shipped to Hackensack, where the man has a wife and child.

The unfortunate man was thirty-five years old. This was his second trip over the road.

Fire in the New Times Building.

About noon, to-day, a scaffold in the interior of the new *Times* building on King street gave way and the timbers fell on a kerosene stove, upsetting it. The oil caught fire and blazed up and it was only by the hardest kind of work that the fire was extinguished without calling out the firemen.

Pigeon Shooting at Phillipsburgh.

The pigeon shoot at the Wallkill River House, yesterday, was attended by a large number of sportsmen. There were no matches, but some very good shooting was done. The best record was made by Henry Cropsy, who killed eight out of ten birds.

Fell and Broke Her Ankle.

Mrs. J. H. Conkling met with a serious accident, Thursday evening. She had been out shopping and while going up the steps to the stoop at her home on Fulton street, slipped and fell, breaking the small bones in one of her ankles.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and $1.00 per bottle at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

Dr. Miles' NERVE PLASTERS cure RHEUMATISM, WEAK BACKS. At druggists, only 25c

AN ACCOMMODATING "DRUNK."

Gets a Jag on and Lies Down at the Door of Police Headquarters to Sleep It Off.

A tramp, who arrived in town, Thursday, worked upon the sympathies of some one—he says it was a banker—to such an extent that he was given a pretty good overcoat. Desiring to celebrate Christmas in what he considered the most approved style, he started out to sell the coat to secure the funds necessary for a proper celebration. He found a customer on Fulton street, who gave him two dollars for it and then he went to the lockup for a night's lodging. He was turned out with the lodgers yesterday morning. In the afternoon Officer Sharp was surprised, when about to enter police headquarters, to find the tramp lying in front of the door sound asleep. He doubtless wanted the police to care for him, but did not wish to cause them the trouble of hunting him up. He was hustled into the lockup and his Christmas celebration was ended.

The police, this morning, questioned the tramp about the overcoat and were not entirely satisfied as to his answers and think that possibly he stole it. He was sent up for six months on a charge of vagrancy. He gave his name as John H. Howard.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Very Attractive Musical Programme for To-morrow's Services.

The following very attractive musical programmes have been arranged for to-morrow's services at the First Congregational Church:

MORNING.

Organ Solo—Postludium ..... H. J. Andrus
Doxology—"Praise God from whom all blessings flow" .....
Anthem—"The joyful morn is breaking" .....
Hymn 292—"Hark the herald angel sings" .....
Duet, soprano and alto—Offertory—"The angel of light" .....
Hymn 278—"Calm on the listening ear of night"
Anthem—"All the ends of the world" .....
Hymn 781—"Sweeter sounds than music knows"
Organ Postlude—(In C.) .....

EVENING.

Organ Prelude.....Rossini
Anthem—"There were shepherds" .....
Christmas services by the Sunday school—"Glory in the highest" .....
Trio—Offertory—"On Thee each living soul awaits" .....
Organ—Gloria (In E.) .....

The Maennerchor's Christmas.

As is their custom, the members of the Maennerchor Germania and their families celebrated Christmas.

In the afternoon there was a Christmas tree and presents for all the children and singing and dancing.

In the evening a company of German comedians from Paterson gave an entertainment.

Fell and Broke His Leg.

Last night between 8 and 9 o'clock as Henry Atwell, an employe of the saw works, was walking in front of the Methodist Church, he slipped and fell breaking the bones of one of his ankles.

Christmas at the Bethel Church.

—The Christmas exercises of the Bethel Church Sunday School will take place Monday night, instead of to-night, as published in the regular church notice elsewhere.

5 Sores

In combination, proportion and process Hood's Sarsaparilla is peculiar to itself, and unequalled in true merit.

No other medicine ever possessed so much curative power, or reached such enormous sales, or made such wonderful cures, as Hood's Sarsaparilla.

It is undoubtedly the best medicine ever made to purify, vitalize and enrich the blood.

That is the secret of its success.

Read this statement:

"When my son was 7 years of age, he had rheumatic fever and acute rheumatism, which settled in his left hip. He was so sick that no one thought there was any help for him. Five sores broke out on his thigh, which the doctor said were

Scrofula

sores. We had three different doctors. Pieces of bone came out of the sores. The last doctor said the leg would have to be cut open and the bone scraped, before he could get well. Howard became so low that he would eat nothing, and one doctor said there was no chance for him.

"One day, a newspaper recommending Hood's Sarsaparilla was left at our door. We decided to try this medicine. Howard commenced taking it the last of February, after having been sick for a year and a

Cured

half. He hadn't taken it a week before I saw that his appetite began to improve, and then he gained rapidly. I gave him five bottles, when the sores were all healed and they never broke out again. The crutches he had used for four years were laid aside, as he had no further use for them. I give all the credit to Hood's Sarsaparilla." MRS. ADA L. MOODY, Fay Street, Lynn, Mass.

This and many similar cures prove that

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. $1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills; easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

Many lives of usefulness have been cut short by neglect to break up an ordinary cold. Pneumonia, bronchitis and even consumption can be averted by the prompt use of One Minute Cough Cure. W. D. Olney.

CARSON & TOWNER.

FINE QUALITY
LORIENT
C & T
PARIS

Real Kid at $1—Warranted.
This is the best glove
imported at the price.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

THERE IS A SURPRISE IN STORE.

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.

We have just received the New Holiday Hat—the Princeton. Fur Caps, Seal and Nutra Cloth Caps in endless variety.

Ready Made Clothing, Ulsters, Overcoats

and HEAVY SUITS. Owing to the lateness of the season, we will start in Dec. 1st to make special inducements to buyers in order to close out our heavy stock. Underwear, Cardigan Jackets, Sweaters and Jersey Coats. Elegant line of Neckwear, Suspenders, Gloves, fur and fur lined; Mittens and Dress Kid Gloves. MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT—We are still busy. We keep up our stock of Suitings, Overcoatings and Trouserings, which enables customers to make a good selection. Our Dress Suits have met with great success. Mr. Rodgers pleases all. Look at our fine line of Trunks, Satchels, Dress Suit Cases and Telescope Boxes, Mackintosh Coats, Umbrellas and Canes.

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

All Sorts and Conditions of People are Buying HOLIDAY GOODS!

AT OUR STORE.

We Show 10,000 Fancy Articles from 10c to $1 Each.

We have also marked about fifty styles of

Dress Goods!

at CUT PRICES for the Holiday Trade Only.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,

No. 39 North Street.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

Saratoga Chips, Christmas Candies, Olives, Plum Pudding, Cape Cod Cranberries, Malaga and Catawba Grapes, Oranges, Bananas, Nut Candies, Fancy Table Raisins, Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, Leggett's Old Fashioned Pie Crust.

GOOD GOODS CHEAP.

BROSS & MUNDY,

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Periodicals on Cash Sales.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,

No. 25 North Street.

We are showing the largest assortment of Holiday Goods shown in the city, consisting of

NECKWEAR,
GLOVES,
UMBRELLAS,
SUSPENDERS,
HANDKERCHIEFS,
COLLARS,
CUFFS,
SMOKING JACKETS

at prices that will astonish you. Give us a call.

SAMUEL LIPFELD

25 North St

To-Day and Christmas Week!

we call attention to a few lines of goods that are seasonable, and which we propose to make a drive on, that is bound to attract your attention

Handkerchiefs.

200 different styles to select from. Name your price, we have them.

Pocketbooks.

The largest assortment to be found this side of New York city. These at special prices for the week.

Umbrellas.

One of the most useful of presents. We have them to suit everyone; styles and prices to suit all pocketbooks.

Coats and Capes.

Here is the place to buy. Until Christmas we will sell all Coats and Capes at a discount of 20 per cent. from the regular price. Remember these are all new, fresh garments of this season's manufacture.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

EGG MAKERS.

Bowker's Poultry Supplies

They are good.
They are pure.
They are cheap.

Bowker's "Animal Meal"

Grit,
Meat Scrap,
Bone Meal,
Ground Bone,
Ground Oyster Shells.

Houston Bros., General Agents

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New Tailoring Establishment.

For this month only we offer a Suit or Overcoat, made to order, for

NO MORE—$16—NO LESS

The best material furnished and first-class work Cleaning and Repairing at a nominal price. Give your order in time.

Remember the Place. 9 James Street

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DIDN'T YOU GET IT?

Never mind, we can still provide for many of the deficiencies Santa Claus failed to supply.

Diaries for 1897 are ready for you.

That Magazine or Paper you was going to subscribe for, we can have sent for you and save you trouble and expense.

Pelonbet's Notes on the S. S. Lessons for '97. Price $1, by mail $1.12.

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.

GENTLEMEN'S SMOKING JACKETS

suitable for Christmas Gifts.

Ulsters and Overcoats at Reduced Prices.

HOLIDAY NECKWEAR AND FURNISHINGS

Men's Silk Suspenders.

Evening Dress Shields.

Plush and Seal Caps.

We give free with all Children's Suits a Small Wagon.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

I sell dry wood, always kept under shelter. You can be sure of a dry article at

E. H. GREGORY'S.

Telephonecall 129.

USEFUL HOLIDAY PRESENTS

AT

"The Hub" Shoe Store,

13 West Main Street.

Men's Slippers 50 cents a pair and up.

Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, all at lowest prices.

Men's Felt Boots and Overs $1.75 a pair, all sizes.

PRESENTS FOR MEN.

We have the useful goods which are appreciated for men or boys—Suits, Overcoats, Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Gloves, Caps, Silk Suspenders, House Coats, Smoking Jackets, Velvet Vests, Children's Leggings, etc.

Elegant Neckwear 25c., others charge 50c.
Good Neckwear 15c., others charge 25c.
Initial Handkerchiefs 15c.
Silk Suspenders 50c.

Morris B. Wolf,

Blue Front Store,

10 North Street.

C. E. CRAWFORD FURNITURE CO.

ONCE MORE

we say it. Don't go to New York this year to buy your Christmas Presents until you have taken a day off and examined the mammoth assortment of the C. E. Crawford Furniture Co.

Bric-a-Brac galore, Pictures—Art Gallery "out of sight," Furniture by the car load and Crockery for the millions.

C. E. Crawford Furniture Co.

44-46 North Street, Middletown.

IT MAKES THE HANDS SMOOTH AND WHITE AND PREVENTS HANG-NAILS.

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McMonagle & Rogers' Orange Flower Balm 25 cents.

30 North street and 155 North street (North Side Pharmacy).

LANA OIL COMPLEXION SOAP, made from pure stock, delightfully perfumed, a generous sized cake; it is a remarkable value at 25c a box—our price.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.

25 PER CENT. DISCOUNT

on all Holiday Novelties displayed in our windows from this date to Jan. 1st, 1897.

Don't miss seeing them. There may be something there that you could use three hundred and sixty-five days in the year.

A grand opportunity to buy New Year's Gifts at your own price.

7 West Main Street, Middletown.

Fancher's

DAILY ARGUS.

SATURDAY, DEC. 26, 1896.

OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Fair, but partly cloudy; to-night and Sunday not so cold; westerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **20°**; 12 m., **32°**; 3 p. m., **34°**.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Turkey raffle at 14 Canal street.
—Interest accounts. See adv. of Orange Co. Trust and Safe Deposit Co.
—Pocketbook lost.
—Holiday presents at Geo. B. Adams'.
—Meeting of Liquor Dealers' Association.
—Dairy butter cheap at B. F. Todd's.
—Deficiencies. See Hanford & Horton's adv.
—Orange Flower Balm at McMonagle & Rogers'.
—Colonial Dame soap at W. D. Olney's.
—25 per cent. discount at Fancher's.
—Window shades at Matthews & Co.'s.
—Warranted gloves at Carson & Towner's.
—Violette Cream at Tuthill's Pharmacy.
—Pine presents left at Economy Store.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—"Peck's Bad Boy" at the Casino, next Monday evening.

—Don't fail to see "Peck's Bad Boy" at the Casino, next Monday.

—There will be no rehearsals of the Schubert Club till Jan. 11th, 1897.

—A special communication of Hoffman Lodge, No. 412, F. and A. M., is called for 1 o'clock, to-morrow, to attend the funeral of the late Jesse Ayres.

—Ferry & Napier, hat manufacturers of Newburgh, has received an order for 15,000 hats for the army,—the third large order from Uncle Sam within a year.

—The throng of Christmas shoppers in many Middletown stores, Thursday afternoon and evening, was so large that it was not easy to make one's way through the crowd. The crush was almost equal to that in the popular New York shops.

—Thos. Kearns, the Vail's Gate Democrat, who shaved off his whiskers after election and declared that he would not cultivate another crop till we had a Democratic President, has foresworn his rash vow and has already quite a whisker for the wintry winds to blow through.

PERSONAL.

—I. E. Toland, of Unionville, N. Y., was in this city to-day on business.

—John W. Low, of the New York *Journal*, spent Christmas in this city.

—Mrs. W. C. F. Bastian has gone to New York to spend the holidays with friends.

—Raymond, son of Geo. E. Kernochan, of New York, is visiting his uncle, F. D. Kernochan.

—Wm. Baker, of Passaic, formerly of this city, spent Christmas in town with relatives and friends.

—Mrs. R. Mikles and family, of this city, spent Christmas in Bullville, with her mother, Mrs. E. Mikles.

—Miss Gertrude McConnell, of New York, is visiting her mother, Mrs. John McConnell, in this city.

—Frank Newland, of Brookly, N. Y., spent Christmas with his friend, Miss Eva Malone, of No. 33 East avenue.

—Robert Hare, formerly of this city, now of Port Jervis, spent Christmas with his brother, John, in this city.

—John Boland and wife, of Tuxedo, spent Christmas in this city with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Miller.

—H. Devore, of Montclair, N. J., formerly of this city, spent Christmas with his mother, at No. 217 East Main street.

—Crosby Beakes, Frank Finn, Abe Lipfield and Will G. Decker are home from Hamilton College, for the holiday vacation.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Z. Puff, of Liberty, are spending the holidays with Mr. Puff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Puff, at Bullville.

—Mrs. Gifford, of Attica, N. Y., who has been visiting at the residence of R. M. Rorty, returned to her home on Erie train one, to-day.

—J. L. Stewart, Jr., clerk in the office of the Superintendent of the Scranton Division of the O. and W., at Mayfield, is spending his Christmas vacation at his home in this city.

—Miss Lila A. Stewart, who is preparing to give a trade carnival in Port Jervis, Jan. 1st and 2nd, arrived at her home in this city, Thursday evening, and will remain until Monday.

—Miss Myrtie Osterhout, one of Middletown's school teachers, has gone to New Rochelle to spend the holiday vacation with her brother, John B. Osterhout and sister, Mrs. A. M. Bedford.

—John W. Graham, an old and well known conductor on the New York and Northern Road, who was well known along the main line of the Erie, died suddenly at his home in Jersey City, yesterday.

—Hiram Tate, editor of the Warwick *Advertiser* and family, were in the town, yesterday, to attend a Christmas reunion of Mrs. Tate's family at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. N. Pronk, on Mulberry street.

—Joseph Grant, who is employed at the Middletown car shops as machinist, has been visiting his uncle, Sidney M. Decker, at the West End, and returned home to his duties the first of the week. —*Ellenville Press.*

—Mrs. H. H. Todd, of Randall's Island, who has been stopping at Mrs. Wengenroth's, so as to be near her brother, Mr. Buck, who is ill in Thrall Hospital, returned home, to-day, her brother's condition being somewhat improved.

KILLED BY AN ERIE ENGINE.

Richard Glavin Struck and Fatally Injured at the Montgomery Street Crossing—Died at Thrall Hospital.

About midnight last night Robert Moffat, operator in the Erie tower at East Main street, received a dispatch from the Jersey City office to the effect that a drunken man had been seen by the engineer of an east bound freight train on the Montgomery street crossing and instructing him to look out for him. The report had been made at the Goshen tower and the operator there failing to get the operator at Main street reported to Jersey City.

Mr. Moffat notified Officer Wilson and together they went to the crossing and found a man lying beside the westbound track about thirty feet west of the crossing. He was unconscious and had one arm crushed and a bad wound in the head. He was taken to Thrall Hospital where he died at 3:15 o'clock this morning, without regaining consciousness.

The man was identified by an attache of the hospital as Richard Glavin, of New Hampton. He was a son of John Glavin, and was twenty years old to-day.

He is survived by his parents and two brothers. Henry, the operator at the Hampton tower, and Jere, of Omaha, Neb.

The young man drove to town yesterday in a sleigh and was seen several times by acquaintances. He appeared to be perfectly sober and it is said did not drink, but at one time late in the evening was with a friend who was intoxicated, and it is believed he had taken the friend home and possibly met his death while returning up town to get his rig. It is not certainly known what train struck him but it is supposed to have been train 3, but as no one witnessed the accident it will probably never be known just how the accident happened.

The young man had been subject to epileptic fits all his life, and as he grew older the fits increased in frequency and in severity. It is almost a certainty that he was taken with a fit on the Erie crossing and was struck by a passing train while lying helpless on the track.

It is probable that when he was seen by the engineer of the east bound train he had partially recovered from the first shock of the accident and had regained his feet and was trying to get away, and that he was unable to do so and fell where he was found and became unconscious.

Coroner Decker was notified and will hold an inquest. The sad news was sent to the young man's father who came here, this morning.

The father of the young man found his son's horse and sleigh at the Holding House stables where he had left it early in the evening.

More Trouble in the Norwich Baptist Church.

The harmony which it was announced, a few months ago, had been restored in the Norwich Baptist Church, was not of the lasting kind. The faction that stood by ex-Pastor Cass has announced its purpose to withdraw and form a new church "unless the trustees abandon the idea that they are the sole authority and recognize each member to have a voice in the management of its affairs."

A Member of the New York Police Force

George Shephard, who was at one time employed by McMonagle & Rogers, and who for the last two years has been a resident of New York city, has been appointed a member of the New York police force. He is said to be the youngest man on the force. Mr. Shephard's mother and brother reside on Monhagen avenue.

Newburgh Bonds Sold.

The city of Newburgh sold, Thursday, $147,537 of West Newburgh sewer bonds to Isaac W. Sherrill, of Poughkeepsie, for par and assured interest. The bonds bear three and one-half per cent. interest and mature in twenty annual installments. The bonds were issued to refund temporary bonds issued to the contractors for the West Newburgh sewer.

Elected Secretary of the State Hospital Board of Managers.

At a special meeting of the Board of Managers of the State Hospital held, this afternoon, John D. Stevens was elected secretary in place of George H. Decker, who being a Democrat was dropped from the Board at the expiration of his term.

Weller & Demerest's Annual Supper to Their Employes.

Weller & Demerest, the well known dry goods merchants, gave a supper to their employes at Rowley's, Thursday evening, at the close of business. This is an annual custom of this firm and they don't lose anything by their generosity.

The Revival at the First Baptist Church.

Interest still continues in the revival meetings at the First Baptist Church. Services were held Christmas night, and were well attended. Several persons arose for prayers, and over forty testimonies were given.

Heart Disease Relieved in 30 Minutes

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives perfect relief in all cases of Organic or Sympathetic Heart Disease in 30 minutes, and speedily effects a cure. It is a peerless remedy for Palpitation, Shortness of Breath, Smothering Spells, Pain in Left Side and all symptoms of a Diseased Heart. One dose convinces.

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers.
The famous little pills

CHRISTMAS RAID BY BURGLSRS.

Entered Crane & Swayze's Office and Tackled Two Safes, but Got Nothing

Some time during last night burglars entered the office of Crane & Swayze's coal and lumber yard on Montgomery street. They tried nearly every door and window before finding one that would yield. This was the rear door.

There were two safes in the front office and one in the rear office. The latter was not touched, but a fruitless effort was made to get into both of the others. Powder had been used in one and the combination was blown off, but the bolts could not be thrown back. The other safe was tackled with a sledge or similar instrument and the handle and combination were broken off.

It is believed the burglars were frightened away or they would have opened the safes before giving up the job as they were evidently prepared to blow them open with powder.

One of the safes contained $60 in money, something very unusual, and if they had secured this they would probably have considered it a good night's work.

After gaining an entrance the burglars left every door in the building open so that they could escape in any direction if necessary. They left by the door leading to the Erie road and the tracks in the snow showed that there were at least two of them. They dropped a coat just outside the door, which may lead to their detection.

The same office was entered by burglars, last Thursday night, but no report was made to the police at the time.

KNOCKED DOWN AND ROBBED.

A Resident of Wawayanda Accepts the Escort of Two Strangers and Loses His Money and Watch.

Louis A. Brundage, of near Slate Hill, spent Christmas and half the night in town. He celebrated too freely and during the evening scraped an acquaintance with two strangers.

Near midnight he started to walk home and his new-made friends offered to walk part of the way with him. As he was considerably intoxicated and realized his condition he gratefully accepted the offer and the three walked out Wawayanda avenue together. Mr. Brundage says that about 12:15 o'clock, when near Locksley Hall, one of the men suddenly squared off and struck him a hard blow on the head which dazed him for a few minutes and when he recovered the men were gone and so was his watch, for which he had recently paid $25, and about $12 in money.

Manager Corey, who was returning from the Casino after closing up the theatre for the night, was driving home in company with Harvey Oles and the hired man, and came almost upon the men while they were rifling Brundage's pockets. Seeing the carriage approaching, the two men ran across lots and escaped.

Mr. Corey picked up Brundage and took him to his home, and telegraphed police headquarters. Officers Walsh and Faulkner responded to the call, and brought Brundage to headquarters.

The police think they know the men who were guilty of the robbery, but no arrests have yet been made.

Brundage came to town with $36 to make some purchases, but spent all but $12 of his money.

Still a Mystery.

Coroner Harding, after full investigation, has decided that there is nothing in the story told him by a "mysterious" young woman concerning the identity of the man whose body was found near Shin Hollow, last week. The jury rendered a verdict, Wednesday, that the identity of the man is unknown, and that he came to his death by causes not known to the jury.

Will Burn the Church Mortgage.

A very interesting service will be held in the Warwick M. E. Church, New Year's Eve, when the payment of the church's debt will be fittingly celebrated and the mortgage, every dollar due on which has been paid, will be burned. Addresses will be made by the pastors of the village churches.

A Family Reunion.

There was a family reunion at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Carter, on Mills avenue, yesterday, when their children and grand children, to the number of about twenty in all, were gathered under the paternal roof.

Feed the Nerves

Upon pure, rich blood and you need not fear nervous prostration. Nerves are weak when they are improperly and insufficiently nourished. Pure blood is their proper food, and pure blood comes by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is thus the greatest and best nerve tonic. It also builds up the whole system.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

A Christmas Tree That Came to Grief—How Goshen People Spent Christmas—Cataracts' Chrismas Dance—Injured by a Fall—Former Residents in Town—St John's Church Fair.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—"Joe" Piro, the Italian shoemaker, in order to properly celebrate Christmas, decided to have a Christmas tree. On Thursday evening the tree was trimmed, the candles lighted, and when everything was in readiness "Joe" stepped outside for a moment. During his absence the blaze from a candle ignited one of the branches. When "Joe" returned he decided not to have a Christmas tree this year.

—Christmas passed off quietly in Goshen. That sentence is very "chestnutty," but nevertheless very true. The average Goshen citizen, from all apparent indications, either attended religious services in the morning or slept until noon. In the afternoon a great many were lined up on Main street, where from Johnson's corner to the County Clerk's office owners of fast horses exhibited their animals. As usual the members of the tired and weary fraternity were in evidence. While one of them would very deferentially wish the passer-by "A Merry Christmas," his "pard" waited behind a convenient corner anxiously, and with "growler" in hand. Sometimes he would be thanked for his good wishes, and occasionally be rewarded with a nickel.

—The Cataracts' Christmas dance was attended by about forty couples. The attendance was not as large as usual, but this is accounted for by the fact that the night was so cold that many who generally drive over from the smaller near-by towns did not come. Everybody had a good time, as usual, and the dancers dispersed at an early hour yesterday morning.

—William McNiece, while at work upon his new house on Wickham avenue, Thursday afternoon, fell from a ladder to the ground, striking upon his back on top of a large stone. He was so badly bruised and shaken up that his injuries will confine him to his home for at least one week.

—Many former residents of Goshen spent Christmas with friends and relatives at this place. Among those not before mentioned were: Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tuthill, of Mansfield, Ohio; Charles Schoonmaker, of Bordentown, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vail, Charles Farley, of Brooklyn; Willard P. Jessup, of Princeton; William and Harvey Finan, of Manhattan College; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Vail and family, C. E. Wright, Jr., L. G. and Miller Andrews, George Grier, J. R. M. Walsh, of New York city.

—St. John's Church fair will be open, this evening. A large, handsome table and a gold watch will be disposed of.

POST OFFICE HOLIDAY BUSINESS.

A Pretty Sure Indicator of Local Financial Conditions.

The post office is a pretty sure indicator of local business conditions and especially of the holiday business. Last year the rush of business at the post-office began about ten days before Christmas and great quantities of packages were sent out to friends at a distance—mostly to the west. Extra pouches containing packages were sent out every night on Erie train seven, some nights as high as five extra pouches being necessary to carry all the mail matter. This year, however, there was no apparent increase in mail matter until two days before Christmas and the volume of business was not nearly so great as last year, although on Thursday there was a great rush, more than the clerks could easily handle.

A Very Serious Accident.

David Smith, twenty-four years old, employed in drawing wood for Cox Brothers, of Ellenville, from their lot near Walker Valley, was thrown from his seat by a collision with another wagon, Tuesday, and fell on the brake-iron, which penetrated the lower part of his body four or more inches, rupturing the large intestine. His condition is very critical.

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Three good Feather Boas.

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Furs, Muffs, Boas, Children's Sets, Fancy Hand Work in Tidies, Fascinators, Slippers, Head Rests, Picture Frames, Mats, Hand Painted China.

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Do you want a Jacket or Cape? Remember we will not carry over, if price has anything to do with it. One lot $3.98, former price from $5 to $10. Two button Kid Gloves 98 cents. Evening shades 98 cents.

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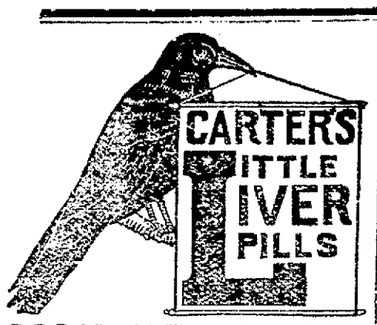

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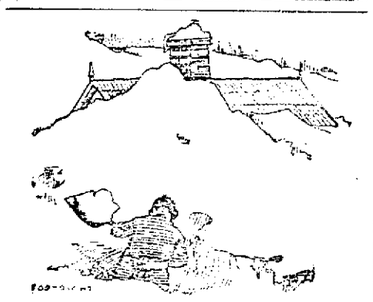

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WILLIAM F. O'NEILL, Attorney for Assignee. 6Sat7dJan97

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THE CUBANS WILL WIN.

An Insurgent Officer Talks of the War with Spain.

The Cubans Are Confident of Winning Independence—Injury to Business Interests in This Country.

If the people of Florida had their way about it Cuba would be free to-morrow. The state is practically unanimous in favor of the independence of the island from Spanish rule. The war has practically destroyed the tobacco and cigar industry of Key West, Tampa and Jacksonville, locking up thousands of dollars of capital invested in property fit only for tobacco manufacture in some form, and throwing out of employment thousands of men who are unable to find employment in any other industry, and who are in the main unsuited for any other.

"I am using up my last bale of tobacco to-day," said a dealer to the Sun correspondent, "and shall have to close down my factory. I can't get any tobacco. How many men will be thrown out of employment? A very large number, and when added to the others in this city and the state, will make quite a small army whose means of subsistance have been destroyed by the war in Cuba. But we all, laborers and manufacturers, bear our losses cheerfully. We feel that it is necessary to make the sacrifice that Cuba may be free, and we feel certain that it will be."

The Sun correspondent had the good fortune to meet three officers of the insurgent army, who have just come over from Cuba upon a special mission. One of them spoke English fairly well. He is a colonel, and looks it every inch. He said:

"Weyler has under his command in the island fully 200,000 men. It is estimated that from 10,000 to 15,000 of them are laid up in the hospitals. The remainder of them stick to the cities. When they sally forth it is in large numbers. Are they afraid of the Cubans?" The colonel shrugged his shoulders, and a comical smile agitated the stiff hairs of his mustache. "The idea of a Spaniard being afraid of a Cuban," said he, ironically. "No, it must not be that. Oh, no; something else must keep them in the cities. The Cubans have fully 40,000 armed men in the field, and fully 90,000 reserves ready to fill up the ranks as fast as they are decimated by the enemy. We have plenty of men, if we could only equip them. It is estimated that we have three men to every gun.

"Every armed column has an unarmed column following it, and whenever a soldier falls there is a mad scramble for his weapon.

"Gen. Maximo Gomez commands the eastern department. Gen. Antonio Maceo commands the western department, comprising Las Vegas, Matanzas, Havana and Pinar del Rio, where the principal operations are to-day. The Maceos have a glorious record," said the colonel. "There were nine of the brothers, of whom Gen. Antonio is the only survivor. All the others were killed in battle, fighting for the independence of Cuba. This is a record of which a Spartan would have been proud.

"What are our prospects to-day? We shall win. We can't fail. In the ten-years' war the insurgents did not invade the province of Matanzas at all. They were kept out of it. But Gen. Maceo has gone further than that, so that Weyler has not only to drive us out of Camaguey and Matanzas, but out of Pinar del Rio as well. We have the eastern department in our grip. It is the more important of the two departments, and the inability of the Spaniards to collect any taxes there is one of the severest blows the insurgents have inflicted upon them.

"The industries of Cuba are paralyzed. The extent of the paralysis may be inferred from the fact that it is estimated that not one bag of sugar will be sent out of the island this year. Last year Weyler ordered the planters to grind their cane. The insurgents were opposed to their doing so. Now he has no power to command them to grind. There will be no sugar crop this year. All the tobacco that was collected has been burned, and that which remained in the fields has been ruined.

"The policy of the insurgents has been to destroy the sugar and tobacco crops in order to cripple the resources of Spain.

"The people of Cuba are determined to secure their independence. The spirit of Spanish extortion and cruelty has bred a death to further submission. The war began February 24, 1895. We gained more in the first six months of the war than we gained in the whole time of the ten-years' war. Spain could not crush the war of 1868, when it was confined to one province, in ten years, with the sacrifice of 200,000 men, how can she do so now, when we have the run of the island from one end to the other?

"Then it should not be overlooked that in the ten-years' war our men numbered hardly more than 7,000 with arms; to-day we have more than 40,000 armed men, with 90,000 unarmed reserves. The men are so eager to fight that they contend with each other for arms."—N. Y. Sun.

A Sharp Detective.

"How did you spot him?" asked the reporter of the detective who had just nabbed a brilliant young confidence gentleman, disguised as a bloomer girl. "The disguise is perfect."

"I happened to catch him flushing," said the astute sleuthhound of the law.—Indianapolis Journal.

Appearances Are Deceitful.

"Come on up, Joe—what are you hesitating for?"

"I don't like the looks of thet dog."

"Oh, he won't bite—just see, he is wagging his tail now."

"That's all right, but that ain't the end I'm looking at!"—American Field.

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HEART DISEASE, has its victim at a disadvantage. Always fatal, when heart disease is incurable, when the symptoms become well defined, the patient becomes alarmed and a nervous panic takes place. But when a safe remedy is found and a cure effected, after years of suffering, there is great rejoicing and desire to let the whole world know." Mrs. Laura Wineinger, of Selkirk, Kansas, writes: I desire to let the whole world know what Dr. Miles' Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Restores Health..... Heart Cure has done for me. For ten years I had pain in my heart, shortness of breath, palpitation, pain in my left side, oppressed feeling in my chest, weak and hungry spells, bad dreams, could not lie on either side, was numb and suffered terribly. I took Dr. Miles' Heart Cure and before I finished the second bottle I felt its good effects. I feel now that I am fully recovered, and that Dr. Miles' Heart Cure saved my life."

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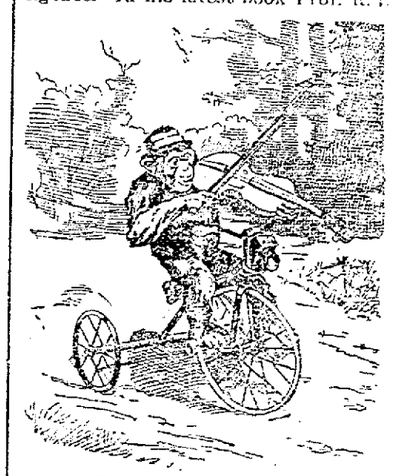
Consul, who is reputed to be the most brilliant monkey in the world, now plays the violin, in addition to his numerous other accomplishments. This animal has already been heard from. On his first appearance in print, it was narrated how he sat at the table clothed and in his right mind and ate like a Christian.

Consul is so gifted an animal that he goes far to support the theory that his relatives are first cousins to man, and easily first among the animals in intelligence. In his latest book Prof. R. L.



APE PLAYS THE VIOLIN.

Garner, the intimate friend of gorillas, acknowledges Consul to be the ablest monkey in the world.

Consul is a chimpanzee, and therefore belongs to the highest order of simians. He is now in the Zoo at Manchester, England.

Playing the violin is his very latest accomplishment. He does this with much vigor and enthusiasm. Considering his small size he holds the instrument very correctly. His keeper says that he had little difficulty in teaching him, for at that time his education was already far advanced. To tell the truth, Consul does not produce a combination of sounds very pleasing to the human ear, with its conventional ideas of music. No doubt he is carrying out chimpanzee theories of harmony.

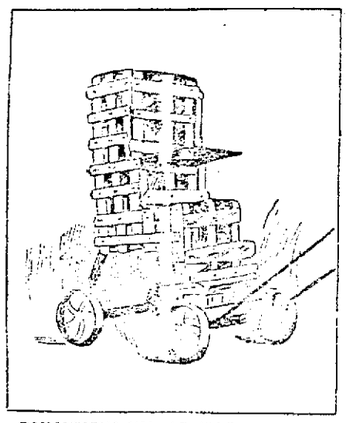
According to our ideas, he would be considered a much better bicyclist than musician. He performs upon the two wheels with more skill than any animal who has yet ventured into the field. His keeper says that he would make grays of all the animals in Mr. Hagenbeck's circus who pretend to be cyclists.

Equally wonderful are his performances with the razor. He shaves not only himself, but Keeper Webb. The latter has taught him to do these tricks, the performance of which proves as much courage in the man as skill in the monkey. Consul uses razor, soap, towels and all the other accessories of proper shaving.

IT FRIGHTENS TRAMPS.

A Chair That Is Driving Weary Wraggles Out of Maine.

The tramp evil in Maine has resulted in bringing to the attention of the authorities an invention of Samuel J. Baker, of Oakland, which is warranted to cause the most confirmed vagrant to flee beyond the borders of the state. The inventor calls his device "the punitive chair." Though not exactly an instrument of torture, it is not an easy chair in which to rest one's tired limbs. As soon as the subject operated upon is cabined in the chair in a sitting posture he immediately wants to stand up and stretch his legs. He yearns to throw his



PUNITIVE CHAIR FOR TRAMPS

arms above his head; his elbows arch, his knees wiggle restlessly, every nerve seems quivering, twitching and hurrying.

If a person allows himself to give way to the increasing nervousness he will soon be struggling wildly, shouting and bruising himself against the bars. Some culprits, overpowered by the nerves, go into a frenzy. The nervous excitement seizes upon nearly everyone who is confined in the punitive chair, and this is what makes the device efficacious in scaring off tramps. A few times in the chair always make a dose that no tramp wants repeated.

In three weeks the chair cleared the streets of Oakland of drunkards and tramps and Mr. Baker says that it will produce the same results in every city and town where it may be used.

If some particularly stolid customer wasn't overwhelmed by the mysterious nervous panic, that is the chief property in the chair's terrifying influence, then the punishment may be varied by trundling him about town for the inspection of the public.

Hungarian Gypsies.

Of 274,940 Hungarian gypsies enumerated in the last census, 213,432 are described as semi-sedentary, and only 8,033 as nomadic, while 2,164 are soldiers or in jail. All profess some form of Christianity, 17,000 are professional musicians, and only 82,405 are still able to speak gypsy dialects.

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500 Pounds fine mixed candies 10c pound, mixed nuts, new hickory nuts.

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PATERSON, N. J.

SUPREME Court, county of Orange—Elizabeth Hoey, plaintiff, against Lawrence Hoey, Agnes Hoey, John Hoey, Bartley Hoey, Ellen Connelly and James Connelly, her husband; William F. O'Neill and E. Louise O'Neill, his wife; S. Rebecca Baird, John Rogers, John Donovan, as administrator of, etc., of Ann Hoey, deceased, defendants.

In pursuance of an interlocutory judgment, directing the sale of the premises hereinafter described, made in the above entitled action, bearing date the 4th day of December, one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-six, and duly entered in the Orange County Clerk's office, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the Russell House, a public hotel on James street, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, N. Y., on the 30th day of December, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, the premises described in said judgment as follows, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the city of Middletown, Orange county, and State of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 125 feet distant from the westerly line of Cottage street, and on a course of north 60 degrees 38 minutes west from said point, which point is distant 256 9 10 feet from the north corner of Wisner avenue; and runs from thence on a course of north 29 degrees 22 minutes east 31 feet; thence north 60 degrees 38 minutes west 125 feet to the line of a proposed street to be called Groo street; thence along the line of said proposed street south 29 degrees and 22 minutes west 31 feet; thence south 60 degrees and 38 minutes east 125 feet to the place of beginning; together with the right of way to and from said premises, as stated in a deed from P. H. Meshane and wife to Richard Sheerin, dated Oct. 9th, 1880, and recorded November 12th, 1880, in Orange County Clerk's office. Said lands above described being the land upon which is now built a new house about 30 feet by 60 feet, and being also the lands described in a deed from Richard Sheerin and wife to Ann Hoey, dated April 15th, 1892, and recorded in Orange County Clerk's office, in book of deeds 290, at page 184, April 16th, 1892.

Also all that tract or parcel of land situate in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the line of lands of John Redfield 50 feet northwest from the north corner of lot number 16 on James B. Bell's map made by W. W. Reeve, and dated March, 1856; and runs from thence south 46 and ½ degrees west 185 feet parallel with and 50 feet from the northwest line of a street; thence north 42 and ½ degrees west 6 chains and 84 links to a stake in the wall; thence south 48½ degrees west 2 chains 75 links to the angle of two stone walls; thence along one of said walls and further north 41 degrees west 5 chains 85 links to the middle of the main ditch in the swamp, thence up the middle of said ditch north 70 degrees east 7 chains 30 links to a stake in the line of said Redfield's lands; thence along his land south 48½ degrees east 6 chains and 78 links to a stake, thence south 45 degrees east 6 chains and 71 links to the place of beginning, containing 7 22-160 acres of land, be the same more or less; excepting and reserving out and from the said described premises all those lots and pieces of land described in certain deeds from Peter S. Ward and wife as follows: One to one Mapp, one to Charles J. Thayer, one to John F. Brewster, and one to S. S. Conklin, as will more fully appear from the record of said deeds in the Clerk's office of Orange county, to which reference is here made for greater certainty, being the same premises described in a deed from Richard Sheerin and wife to Ann Hoey, dated April 16th, 1892, and recorded in Orange county, in case [illegible] in book 290 of deeds at page 182 April 16th, 1892.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 7th, 1896.

JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, Ref'ree.

M. J. DONOVAN, Plaintiff's Attorney, Room 11 and 12, Low Buildings, Middletown, N. Y.

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Collector's Notice.

State and County Tax.

The warrant for the collection of the State and County Tax for the city of Middletown, N. Y., for the year 1896, having been delivered to me by the Board of Supervisors, I will attend at each working day of the week (Sundays excepted), from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the Corporation Rooms, Center street, as said city, for 30 days, beginning Monday, Dec. 21st, 1896, and ending Monday, Jan. 25th, 1897, inclusive, for the purpose of receiving payment of said taxes. No fee will be charged during said 30 days.

E. M. HAMILTON, Collector.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1896.

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Shall we whip

a poorly nourished horse when he is thoroughly tired? He may go faster for a few rods, but his condition is soon the worse for it. Better stop and feed him. Food gives force. If you are thin, without appetite; pale, because of thin blood; easily exhausted; why further weaken the body by using tonics? Begin on a more permanent basis. Take something which will build up the tissues and supply force to the muscular, digestive and nervous systems

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The Logic of It.

"I wonder why it is wife murderers nearly always put up a plea of insanity?" asked the Sweet Young Thing. "Is it because a man who could so cruelly mistreat the partner of his joys and sorrows must naturally be considered mentally out of balance?"

"Naw," said the Grumbling Bachelor; "the mere fact of his being married shows that he was weak-minded to begin with."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

As It Seemed to Him.

"How do they make these?" asked Tommy after he had taken his allowance of fresh cider from a tiny wine glass.

"Blow them," answered his mother.

"Why?"

"The feller that blowed this one must have been short of wind."—Detroit Free Press.

Only.

Only a hair on his shoulder,
Long, and wavy and brown;
Only a cock-and-bull story,
In exchange for his wife's deep frown.
Only a broken broomstick,
Wildly waved in the air;
Only a strip of court-plaster—
(His wife had discovered the hair!)
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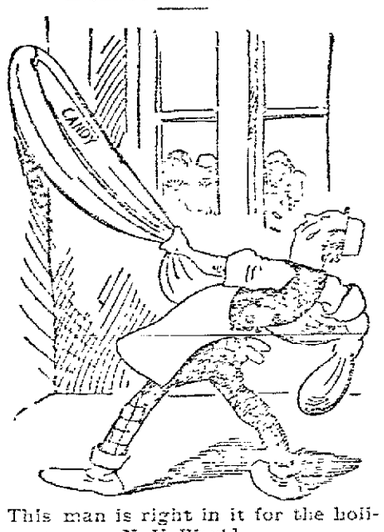

This man is right in it for the holiday season.—N. Y. World.

The Athlete at Home.

Eer boy hab sich contrariness,
Hits cla' beyond control;
He wants de bigges' dumbbell an'
De smalles' hod o' coal.
—Washington Star.

Family Secrets.

"Julia, you know how George used to love to stuff my sleeves in before we were married?"

"Yes."

"Well—now he says: 'Great guns—can't you get some kind of cloak that you can get into by yourself'"—Chicago Record.

His Great Desire.

"What do you think of my daughter's execution, professor?" asked the fond mamma, as her fair daughter pounded on the piano keys.

"Think, madam!" was the reply; "why, that I should like to be present at it."—N. Y. Tribune.

The Feminine View.

Nell—Did you enjoy the performance last night?

Belle—No, it was stup'd. Nearly every woman in the house took off her hat, and there was nothing to look at but the play.—Philadelphia Record.

Facts in the Case.

"It is said we shall all pass away as a tale that is told."

"That sounds all right; but tales that are told don't pass away—they are forever being told over again."—Chicago Record.

His Golden Wedding.

She—So Mr. Sapper has just celebrated his golden wedding.

He—Golden wedding? Why, he's only just got married.

She—Yes, but the girl has £10,000.—Tit-Bits.

Would Spend Something Else.

Mrs. Giltman—I don't see why you should object to Victoria spending a season in Paris.

Mr. Giltman—If a season was the only thing she would spend there, I would not object.—Bay City Chat.

In the Boarding House.

"Your coffee never seems to lose its strength," said Mr. Starr.

"Do you know why that is?" asked Mrs. Weirdhash, beamingly.

"Because, I suppose, it has never been strained."—N. Y. Journal.

The Way of the World.

"My mother was an elegant cook. There was only one person she couldn't please."

"Who was that?"

"My father. He remembered his mother's cooking."—Bay City Chat.

In the Near Future.

Mrs. Jones—I can let you have a pair of old shoes.

The Tramp—T'anks, lady, an' mebbe yer have an old wheel wot yer don't want. Yer kin see me machine is all wore out.—Chicago Tribune.

Her Equipment.

"What have you in that pill box?" asked the manager of the new burlesque actress.

"A few quinine capsules and my wardrobe."—Detroit Free Press.

Practice Makes Perfect.

Mildred—Madge's complexion has improved wonderfully of late.

Marjorie—Yes; she is beginning to understand how to put it on.—N. Y. Ledger.

Why They So Advised Him.

"You are the only doctor that advises me to stay at home. All the others say I ought to go to a winter resort."

"I suppose they have all the patients they want."—Fliegende Blaetter.

Friction.

She—I suppose it's heredity that makes pugs' noses so short.

He—Yes, being kissed there for so many generations.—N. Y. Truth.

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14—Wickham Ave., cor. Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, hat shops.
16—North St. and Wisner Ave., type shop.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prospect st.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wellard avenue.
25—North street, corner William avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Moulinard avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condenser.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Talcott street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
21—Rung before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.
1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.

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NEW YORK ONTARIO AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

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Cornwall	4 16	9 45		5 00	6 00
W Cornwall	4 16	9 53		5 08	
Orr's Mills	6 25	9 55		1 10	
Little Brit'n	6 40	10 5		15 23	
Burnside	6 56	10 25		15 34	
Campbell H	7 05	10 33		5 40	6 30
Stony Ford	7 15	10 37		15 44	
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Winterton	9 10	11 09		6 25	
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Wurtsboro	9 26	11 19		6 34	
Summitville	9 38	11 30		6 45	
Ellenville ar	10 05	11 50		7 05	
Fallsburgh	10 32	12 05		7 20	
Hurleyville	10 53	12 12		7 25	
Liberty Falls	11 15	01 22		7 33	
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Parksville	11 35	12 43		7 55	
Livingston Mnr	12 00	12 53		8 05	8 30
Rockland	12 15	1 08		8 21	12
Hancock Jct	1 20	2 09		27	9 19
Walton	2 15	2 45		12 15	9 53
Sidney Cent'r		3 18		2 10	
Sidney		3 41		8 10	10 15
N'rwich ar		4 33		5 20	11 18
N'rwich lv		4 38		P M 11	23
Oneid'a Cas'le		6 05		9 10	
Oneida ar		6 10		9 15	
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Fulton		7 57			
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SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New Y'k Exp	12 * Fuel-ine Local	14	20	2 Day Exp
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Little Brit'n		7 15	8 59		5 08
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Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
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Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
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HOW MIDDLETOWN SPENT CHRISTMAS.

A Very Lively Day—Made the Most of the Sleighing—Services at the Churches—The Music at Grace Church—Sports and Pastimes—Christmas Cheer at Hotels and Saloons.

Middletown spent a very lively Christmas; not because anything special was on hand for the day, but because the fine weather and good sleighing afforded many opportunities for enjoyment.

The sleighing was the feature of the day, and from early in the morning until late at night the merry jingle of sleigh bells was heard on the streets. During the afternoon and evening several riding parties from out of town came here, one of which was so very evidently having a good time that it attracted no little attention. The owners of fast horses kept Highland avenue hot during the afternoon, and some very interesting brushes took place there.

The children found the coasting passably good on many of the hills, and made the most of it. The snow had been cleaned from the cemetery pond and from part of the mill pond, and many made the best of the rather meagre opportunities for skating thus afforded.

The shooting match at Phillipsburgh was attended by many local sportsmen.

Family dinner parties were, of course, a feature of the day and many merry family groups gathered about bountifully laden tables.

The attendance at the different masses in St. Joseph's Church was very large.

The services at Grace Church were well attended, a large congregation being present at 11 o'clock in which were many prominent members of other city churches. One hundred and thirty persons made their communion during the day. The music was exceptionally fine and well rendered, the regular choir being strengthened by several additional voices from other choirs. A feature of the music at the 11 o'clock service was Miss Carolyn D. Howland's fine rendition of "Oh Thou That Tellest Good Tidings" from "The Messiah." Her voice completely filled the church and she sang with such perfect expression and deep feeling that all who heard her will long remember it with pleasure. The rector preached from the text "Unto us a child is born." The decorations were simpler than usual, but very effective.

In the evening the "Black Crook" attracted a large audience to the Casino. There were some ragged spots and bad hitches in the performance, but it was not altogether bad. The Bachelors' Christmas hop, always one of the events of the season, wound up the day most pleasantly for the young people.

Most of the hotels and saloons provided Christmas treats for their patrons and some of them gave away souvenirs of more or less value to all who bought anything over their bars. There was naturally a good deal of drinking and late in the day a good many men could be seen about the streets a good deal the worse for wear.

The hotels provided the best of Christmas cheer for their guests, the bill of fare for the Madison House dinner having been as follows:

Blue Point Oysters on Half Shell,
Gherkins, Oxtail Soup, Pickled Beets,
Mayonnaise of Salmon, Crescent Olives,
Boiled Ox Tongue—Vinegar Sauce,
Chicken Gibblets, Jelly Tarts,
Roast Young Delaware Turkey—Cranberry Sauce
Celery, English Chowchow,
Roast Young Suckling Pig, Apple Sauce,
Roast Teal Duck, Grape Jelly,
Boiled and Mashed Potatoes, Green Peas,
Fried Parsnips—Broiled, Stewed Carrots,
Roast Goose, Red Currant Jelly,
Roast Tenderloin of Beef, Larded, with Mushrooms,
Ruby Olives, Succotash,
Boiled Ham, Champagne Sauce, Sweet Potatoes,
Cucumber Pickles,
Apple, Mince and Pumpkin Pie, Dairy Cheese
English Plum Pudding, Foam Sauce,
White Jellies, Orange Marmalade,
Charlotte Ice Cream, Apples, Oranges, Nuts,
Raisins, Assorted Cakes, Tea
Coffee, Chocolate,
Sweet Cider

Delaware County's Supervisors and the Walton Armory.

Delaware county's supervisors have reached the conclusion that the law requiring each county to build, furnish and maintain an armory that the State may quickly avail itself of in case of internal trouble at those expenses should be borne by the State. The County Treasurer has accordingly refused to pay a bill for rent of the Walton armory. An action has been applied which the proceeding will determine whether the position taken by the Delaware supervisors is correct or not.

Horse and Sleigh Upset by Trolley Tracks.

Wilbur M. Horton, the livery man, was attempting to drive out of the trolley tracks in front of Harford & Horton's store this afternoon, as a car was overturned and the horse struck heavily upon its side. No injury resulted to Mr. Horton or his rig.

Wreck on the Lehigh and Hudson.

As a freight train was pulling out of a siding at Lake Station on the Lehigh and Hudson, Thursday evening, several cars were derailed. The wreck blocked the track for several hours detaining the milk train so that the Lehigh and Hudson milk did not reach New York until daylight, Christmas morning.

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THE CHRISTMAS TRADE.

Merchant Did a Fair Business in Spite of Hard Times—Big Stocks and Low Prices Drew Trade from New Fields

Our merchants generally report a fair Christmas trade. They certainly deserved it for never were their stocks of goods so large and varied and prices were never more reasonable.

One merchant who keeps an accurate account of every sale and foots up his sales at the end of each year says that up to Tuesday night his sales amounted to within a few dollars of the total of his sales for 1895, leaving him the two days before Christmas, the best of the year, and the week between Christmas and New Year's to make whatever excess of business over last year that he may.

This, of course, is an exceptional case, although there are others who have done a better business this year than last. This is not because people have any more money to spend than last year, but because our merchants are constantly extending their fields of business by keeping up full stocks and selling goods as low as they are to be had anywhere.

A strange thing about the Christmas trade is the widely varying reports that merchants make concerning the volume of country trade. At some stores we are told it was larger than ever before, while at others it is said that there has been a noticeable decrease in the number of country customers and in the quantity of their purchases. The explanation of this seeming contradiction is undoubtedly to be found in the difference in the kind of articles dealt in.

Merchants generally are agreed that the electric railroad has been a great boom to them, having brought here many customers from Goshen and from all the section roundabout that village.

RACING ON HIGHLAND AVENUE.

Owners of Fast Horses Make the Most of the Sleighing—A Circleville Man Owns the Road.

The owners of fast horses had fine sport on Highland avenue, yesterday afternoon. The avenue was crowded with sleighs all the afternoon and evening. The roadway was in fine condition and some fast time was made.

If we have been correctly informed Thos. Hennesy, of Circleville, who is the owner of "Joe," the gray horse driven by Geo. A. Swayze last winter, owned the road.

THE INDIANS DANCE.

The First Annual Ball of Umpqua Tribe I. O. R. M.

The first annual ball of Umpqua Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, was held at the Assembly Rooms, Christmas eve. The attendance was large and everything passed off as smoothly and pleasantly as if the organization had been giving balls for years.

Williams' orchestra furnished the music and dancing was kept up until about three o'clock in the morning.

The committee in charge of the affair was composed of G. B. Lee, W. G. Wallenhaupt and D. W. Shaw.

Christmas Music at the Universalist Church.

The following music will be rendered at the services of the Universalist Church, to-morrow, W. J. Marvin, choir conductor:

MORNING.

Anthem—"Drop Down Ye Heavens from Above" —Barnby
Soprano solo ..... Miss Howland
Anthem—"Be Joyful O Earth" ..... F. C. Macey
Contralto solo ..... Mrs. Hall

EVENING

Opening anthem—"Sing Hallelujah Forth", ... —Dudley Buck

A very attractive Sunday School Christmas concert under the direction of Mrs. J. Newton Emery will be given.

Sale of an Electric Railroad Franchise

B. Van Steenbergh, formerly of Goshen, has sold the franchise for an electric railroad over the turnpike from New Paltz to Highland, to Ferdinand McKeige, a New York capitalist, who will organize a new company and complete the road. The sale includes the power plant at Lloyd, midway between the termini.

Sunday School Christmas Exercises.

The Christmas exercises of the North Street Congregational Church Sunday School were held Thursday evening. They consisted of recitations and singing by the children of the school. After the entertainment, candies and fruit were distributed among the children.

Week of Prayer Union Meetings.

The union meetings of the week of prayer, Jan. 4–11, will be held in First Presbyterian Church. The meetings will be held in the afternoon, each church holding meetings of its own in the evenings.

Did you ever stop to think what indigestion really means? It means simply that your stomach is tired. If our legs are tired, we ride. The horse and the steam engine do the work. Why not give your stomach a ride, that is, let something else do its work. Foods can be digested outside the body. All plants contain digestive principles which will do this. The Shaker Digestive Cordial contains digestive principles and is a preparation designed to rest the stomach. The shakers themselves have such unbounded confidence in it that they have placed 10 cent sample bottles on market, and it is said that even so small a quantity proves beneficial in a vast majority of cases. All druggists keep it.

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DIED.

AYRES—In this city, Dec. 25th, '96, Jesse Ayres, aged sixty-five years.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon, at two o'clock, at First Congregational Church. Relatives will meet at his late residence, 28 Linden avenue, at one-thirty o'clock sharp. Interment in family plot, Hillside Cemetery.

DEMPSEY—In this city, Dec. 26th, '96, Mary, widow of the late James Dempsey, aged sixty-two years.

Funeral Monday, from the late residence, 172 Monhagen avenue, at eight-thirty, and nine o'clock at St. Joseph's Church with mass.

GLAVIN—In this city, Dec. 25th, '96, by accident, Richard Glavin, of New Hampton, aged twenty years.

Funeral Tuesday, at ten o'clock, from his parents' residence, at New Hampton, and in St. Joseph's Church, this city, at eleven o'clock, with requiem high mass. Interment in family plot, in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

COLLINS—In this city, Dec. 26th '96, Catharine, wife of John Collins.

Funeral Monday, at ten o'clock, from her late residence, 121 Academy avenue, and from St. Joseph's Church at ten thirty, with requiem high mass. Interment in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

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SPECIAL Communication of Hoffmon Lodge, No. 412, F. and A. M., at 1 o'clock, to attend the funeral of Brother Jesse Ayres.
1t H. C. CORWIN, Master.

LOST—Yesterday, a Pocketbook. Reward given if returned to
1t MRS. ADELAIDE SMITH, 120 E. Main St.

TURKEY Raffle, to-night, at 14 Canal street. 1t

ALL Members of the Liquor Dealers' Association are requested to attend a meeting on Dec. 28th, 1896, at 2:30 p. m., in their parlors, Nearing Building, North street. A full attendance desired. 1t F. J. NEARN, President.

MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, Wilcox Building, 57 North street.

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontander 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience.
99d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF has left town and will return to Middletown the 18th of January, 1897, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James St. 18d&w3mMch17

PIPES, PIPES, PIPES.
I will offer this week, at my store, pipes at a great reduction. Now is the time to buy. Don't fail to come in and examine my stock, as I have the largest assortment to select from in the city.
Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown.
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"HARDING'S Handy Hanger," price 12 cents. Keeps coat, vest and pants in good shape, all at the same time. A fine Christmas gift.
G. F. HARDING, Mfr., Wurtsboro, N. Y.

BOY Wanted to learn the Printer's Trade. Enquire at this office.

FINE Christmas Gifts—A bottle of good perfumery, a beautiful atomizer filled with our choice violet or lavender water, a shaving cup, soap and brush complete, or a box of choice cigars. Call in and inspect them.
CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

FINE Sachet Powder of choice odors at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

YOU cannot walk on the points of nails with comfort under any circumstance. To have your fine shoes "SOLED" with the nailing process is summer madness. CRAIG, the shoemaker's new method dispenses with nailing.
22 WEST MAIN STREET.

DR. C. THIMME, Dentist over J. B. Swalm's grocery store, No. 12 East Main street. dtf

M. C. FREER has opened a painting and paper hanging business at 82 Wisner avenue. All work guaranted to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable.
54d1yFeb6 M. C. FREER.

PAPER Hanging at 12½c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI.
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FARM FOR SALE—Eighty acres of choice land, ten miles east of DesMoines, Iowa, with good seven-room house and outbuildings, two good wells, a young orchard. Parties want to go west. For further information enquire of
95d2mJan19 W. W. PRESTON, Clarkson, Iowa.

BREAD Winner Cook Stove, size 8, first-class condition, and good baker; Skates and Fur Cups cheap at the
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CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

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Interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum will be credited depositors for the six months and three months ending Dec. 31st, 1896, on $1,000 and under; and 3 per cent. on excess to $3,000, entitled thereto under the by-laws, payable Jan. 18th, 1897. Deposits made before Jan. 10th, 1897, will draw interest from Jan. 1st, 1897.
ALBERT BULL, President.
D. H. BAILEY, Treasurer. 1tw&2td2t

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

The annual election for Directors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms of the bank, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m.
SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.

TURKEYS FOR 14 TO 18c.
Chickens 10 to 15c.
Sausage, Bologna, Lard and Frankfurters, our own make.
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An assortment of 1,000 picture frames in Leatherette and White Metal from 15c up; 50 styles of Pocketbooks 12c up; plush and celluoid work boxes, handkerchief cases, smokers' sets, tie, glove and jewel cases from 25c up. Kid gloves, umbrellas, handkerchiefs and many other articles too numerous to mention. Come and see us. Reliable and up-to-date.
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In time to benefit everyone wishing to purchase some USEFUL PRESENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS
If you are in need of anything in
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you will not be disappointed by looking at our goods, as we will give you prices to make them GO
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Large Assortment and Low Prices at the
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For Bilious and Nervous disorders such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fullness and Swelling after meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, etc., when these symptoms are caused by constipation, as most of them are. THE FIRST DOSE WILL GIVE RELIEF IN TWENTY MINUTES. This is no fiction. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one box of these Pills, and they will be acknowledged to be
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for any roughness of the skin, in large bottle, 15c. If not satisfactory return the empty bottle and we will gladly give you the price paid.
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